

The Virginia Beach Sun

Friday, July 7, 2000

VIRGINIA BEACH NEWS and VIEWS

72nd Year

No. 26

35 Cents

News in Brief

Outdoor movie

Join Hollywood's stars under the stars during Millennium Movie Night. Bring your beach blanket and enjoy "Baby Geniuses" (rated PG) on a big screen 16 feet by 16 feet at Mt. Trashmore in Virginia Beach. Free and open to the public, the show will take place on Thursday, July 20 from 8 to 10 p.m. Gates open at 6 p.m. Movie snacks will be available for purchase at the park. From 7 to 9 p.m., children will enjoy free face painting and Zappie the clown will be entertaining the young and old alike.

Input sought

The Virginia Beach Mayor's Committee for Persons with Disabilities is seeking input from Virginia Beach residents on ways in which the city can plan for new and modify existing city facilities, i.e., buildings, parks, sidewalks, etc., to accommodate the needs of our disabled community. The Virginia Beach Mayor's Committee for Persons with Disabilities is working with several city agencies to help ensure city owned facilities are more accessible for people with disabilities. If you have any suggestions or see the need for modifications to any existing city owned property send your suggestions in care of: Mayor's Office, MCPD, 2401 Courthouse Drive, Virginia Beach, VA 23456.

'All Good Gifts'

"All Good Gifts," a worship service featuring a massed choir of singers from area churches under the direction of composer John Carter and handbells and directed by Cathy Molebust, will be held Wednesday, July 12 at 7:30 p.m., at Virginia Beach United Methodist Church, 19th Street at Pacific Avenue. This event is held in conjunction with Virginia Wesleyan College Summer Music Conference. Free parking is offered. A free will offering will be taken. Call 428-7727 for information.

Volunteer visitors

The Citizens Committee to Protect the Elderly is a private, non-profit organization comprised of concerned citizens. Services and activities are implemented by dedicated volunteers throughout Hampton Roads. Volunteers supplement one's ability to visit their loved ones in nursing homes or assisted living facilities, providing companionship for them and reassurance for you. If you would like someone to visit a loved one contact the organization. If you have a special sensitivity for the elderly and wish to become a volunteer visitor or participate in community service projects in long-term care facilities, or if you are a professional nurse and wish to participate in the Information and Guidance Program call 498-8600, Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Volunteer training is offered each month.

Lotus Luncheon

Tabernacle United Methodist Church will hold its 45th Lotus Luncheon on Wednesday, July 19 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Homestyle country cooking includes ham, chicken salad, two vegetables, drink and dessert. Cost is adults \$6, children \$3. The church is located at 1265 Sandridge Rd. A country bazaar will be held with fresh vegetables, homemade breads, cakes, pies, pickles and jellies. For more information call, 426-6991 or 426-7336.

Ballet auditions

Virginia Ballet Theatre will hold auditions for the "Nutcracker" to be performed in December. Auditions for first and second act roles will be held at the Virginia Ballet Theatre studios, 134 W. Olney Rd. in Norfolk, July 8 and Sept. 16. Times are ages 6-9, 2 to 3 p.m. and ages 10-12, 3 to 4 p.m. Intermediate to advanced dancers are from 4 to 5:30 p.m. Registration is 30 minutes prior to audition time. Previous training is preferred.

Beach party

The Retired Officers Association (TROA) and the Retired Officers Wives Society (ROWS) will host their first combined social event. The guys and gals will meet for a beach party at the Fort Story Officers Club on Friday, July 21 from 3 to 6 p.m. For more information and reservations, TROA members should call 464-6799; ROWS members should call 481-6356/2466 prior to Monday noon, July 17.

ROWS brunch

The Retired Officer's Wives Society of Tidewater will meet for brunch Thursday, July 13 from 10 a.m. to noon in the Breezy Point Officers Club at the Norfolk Naval Air Station. Call 464-6356 or 481-2466 by 10 a.m. July 10 for reservations.

Lynnhaven House breaks ground on new Colonial Education Center

Former First Lady, mayor help make Virginia Beach 'history'



Photo by Bob Ruegsegger

SUPPORTING VIRGINIA'S HERITAGE. Former First Lady Susan Allen, right, and Lynnhaven House site administrator Shirley Bueche share a moment of exhilaration during the ceremony at Lynnhaven House.

By Bob Ruegsegger
Correspondent

Officials from the Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities (APVA), members of the Lynnhaven House Board of Directors and Advisory Board, and Virginia Beach city officials gathered with special guests on the grounds of the Lynnhaven House last week to formally break ground for the new Colonial Education Center.

As Shirley Bueche, APVA site administrator, and a host of Lynnhaven House docents in 18th-century apparel looked on, Chairman of the Board of Directors David Sparks, Mayor Meyera Obendorf and Former First Lady of Virginia Susan Allen shared the podium, the shovels and the honors.

"I was delighted with the way the program went," beamed Shirley Bueche.

Each of the speakers, despite their diverse backgrounds, seemed to share the

□ See EDUCATION, Page 5



TESTAMENT TO TIME. The Lynnhaven House was built by Frances Thelaball in 1725. It is among the oldest and best preserved colonial brick homes in America.

Filipino community celebrates heritage

By Jason Norman
Correspondent

On Saturday afternoon, thousands of Hampton Roads' Filipino Americans came together at Red Wing Park in Virginia Beach to celebrate their heritage.

Spearheaded by the Filipino-American Veterans of Tidewater, the festival capped off the Hampton Roads Filipino Community Week, a tradition celebrated in the area for more than 25 years.

Earlier in the week, the Philippine Cultural Center, the largest of its kind in the United States, opened in the city.

□ See FILIPINOS, Page 5



FILIPINO FELLOWSHIP. Thousands of Filipino-Americans from across Hampton Roads gathered at Red Wing Park Saturday to commemorate Friendship Day.

Retiring principal goes out tops among Beach peers

Glenwood's Ralph Mizelle named Elementary School Principal of Year

By Victoria Hecht
Editor

Ralph C. Mizelle likes to go out with a bang.

Actually, it's his colleagues who wanted him to go out in a big way. After 30 years with Virginia Beach City Public Schools, he'd have preferred to "slide out the back door, but they wouldn't let me do it."

Instead, just days before the Glenwood Elementary School principal retired, Mizelle was named the city's Elementary School Principal of the Year.

On Friday, his boxes were packed, he was tying up loose ends and, as a natural joker, he grinned, "They even took my keys!"

For Mizelle, it was a poetic career ending. Not that he'd ever want to be poetic, though. The laid-back Suffolk native is instead looking forward to a new part-time job at the Tournament Players Club (TPC). An avid golf player, he'll be able to fill his addiction by working and playing.

His retirement brings to an end 34 years in education.

□ See PRINCIPAL, Page 5



Photo by Victoria Hecht

INTO THE SWING. Glenwood Elementary School Principal Ralph Mizelle is trading his office for the golf course. Mizelle retired Friday after 34 years in education, but not before learning he'd been named Virginia Beach's Elementary School Principal of the Year.

Marathon 'Tests' local couple's stamina

Husband/wife team in training for Hawaiian fundraising run

By Colleen Holmes
Correspondent

Steve and Maggie Test are planning on engaging in the usual vacation activities when they visit Honolulu next December: sightseeing, relaxing — and running 26.2 miles!

The Tests are training for a marathon with the Arthritis Foundation's Joints in Motion program. The Honolulu event is one of several fund-raising marathons coordinated by the Arthritis Foundation.

Maggie and her husband are running in honor of their mothers, both of whom suffer from arthritis. She notes that both mothers are proud, although hers was incredulous at first.

"At first my mother couldn't believe it. She said, 'You're going to run 26 miles, you must be crazy!'" said Maggie. "But really we're both very honored."

The Virginia Beach couple hopes to raise more than \$8,000 in sponsorship for their endeavor.

"We are fortunate enough not to suffer

from arthritis," said Maggie. "Each mile we are able to run is a gift."

The couple is training with a group of dedicated participants from the South Hampton Roads area.

The individual runners are instructed to follow a training and cross-training schedule prepared by the organization, as they prepare for the race on their own during the week. They meet as a group every Saturday morning at 8 a.m. for their "long run," during which the runners will gradually increase their mileage, covering from six to 20 miles.

Waking at 6 a.m. to train is not easy for Steve, a trial attorney, and Maggie, a legal secretary and psychology student. Neither of them have ever run a race. However, they believe the sacrificed sleep and the pain of exertion are worthwhile to be able to honor their mothers in such a meaningful way.

The Tests have also found that they

□ See COUPLE'S, Page 5



Photo by Colleen Holmes

LIMBERING UP. Maggie and Steve Test of Virginia Beach are stretching themselves in more ways than one as they prepare to run a marathon to raise money for arthritis research.

Commentary

TAKE IT EASY

Beat the heat

Ah summer! It's time to sit back, relax and...sweat.

An old saying goes, "When there's nothing else to talk about, there's always the weather." Unfortunately, right now it's because the heat is intense enough to make paint peel and perspiration trickle down the back in that annoying way.

All across the nation — and especially here in the South — the mid-summer heat wave is reminding folks how much they appreciate the gentle breezes and gusty winds of spring and fall.

Hot weather isn't just bothersome, it's a health hazard, especially to the very old and those who must work outside.

Common sense says to stay in a cool, air-conditioned place during such weather, but that may not always be possible.

Become aware of the problems associated with intense heat and what to do if it becomes overwhelming.

One common side effect of hot weather is heat exhaustion. This happens when the body cannot sweat enough to cool off. It typically happens when working or exercising.

Symptoms of heat exhaustion include fatigue, weakness, dizziness or nausea, as well as cool, clammy skin or pale, red or flushed skin.

Heat exhaustion can lead to heat stroke, which requires emergency treatment. Heat stroke occurs when the body stops sweating, but body temperatures continue to rise, often to 105 degrees or higher.

Symptoms of heat stroke include confusion, delirium or unconsciousness. They also include hot, dry, red or flushed skin.

Local health departments suggest the following tips for the prevention of heat exhaustion and heat stroke:

- Avoid strenuous outdoor physical activity during the hottest part of the day.
- Wear loose-fitting, light-colored clothing to reflect the sun.
- Avoid sudden changes of temperature. Air out a hot car before getting into it.
- Drink up to 10 glasses of water per day, more if exercising or working outdoors.
- If exercising strenuously, drink more liquid than thirst may seem to require.
- If feeling the symptoms of heat exhaustion, get out of the sun to a cool spot and drink lots of water, a little at a time. If feeling nauseated or dizzy, lie down.
- Sponge the body with cool water using cold, wet cloths all over, or take a cool bath.
- If there are signs of heat stroke occurring, call 911 or go to the emergency room. Work fast to lower the temperature and seek immediate help if any symptoms of heat stroke occur.

It's summer and it's hot, so remember to play it cool. — V.E.H.

SUMMERTIME SAFETY

Play it safe

The sun's up, the sun's out and the shades are on. Summer is in full swing — and so are dangers not normally associated with cooler weather and school days.

Before heading out to enjoy the many attractions our area has to offer, make sure your home is not vulnerable. If you're going to be away, follow these safety tips to protect your home and possessions:

- Place some of your household lights, appliances and a radio on a timer.
- Don't tell a lot of people you'll be away, but ask a trusted neighbor to watch the house and leave a key with that person.
- Either stop your mail and newspaper deliveries or ask a neighbor to collect these items daily.

Summertime dangers also lurk at home, whether working in the yard or relaxing around the pool. Even barbecuing can be hazardous if proper precautions aren't taken:

- Keep gardening products such as fertilizers and weed killers locked up and out of reach of small children.
- Never allow a child to sit on your lap while operating a riding lawn mower.
- Keep children indoors when you are mowing the yard or using weed trimmers.
- Remind children to wear shoes outdoors to avoid cuts and insect stings or bites.
- Keep children and pets away from hot grills. Do not leave cooking unattended. Only use grills in well-ventilated areas outdoors and never in a garage, carport or tent.

Summer is a wonderful time to enjoy family get togethers and down time, but remember to do it safely. — V.E.H.

It's time to listen up — your future income's at stake

Throwing eggs at politicians is our national pastime. And no one has been more pillaged of late than Vice President Al Gore.



Perspectives

By Eileen Huey, columnist

When George Bush offered a Social Security proposal aimed at transferring 2 percent of the payroll tax into private investment accounts, his plan was hailed as innovative, even though his plan to partially privatize Social Security has been around for years.

However, when Gore proposed that payroll contributions be left whole. But that individuals earning under \$100,000 could choose to invest up to two percent of their income in special IRA accounts with the government matching their contributions on a decreasing scale, Gore is accused of merely copying Bush.

Say what? Apples and oranges are too alike to be used to describe the differences between these two plans. The only similarity is that both Bush and Gore are seeking to stimulate more investment by low and middle income Americans in the private market.

We must not overlook the fact that Gore's plan starts from the premise that all payroll contributions would remain in the Trust Fund to meet the coming onslaught of the baby boomers entering the Social Security System as beneficiaries. His plan also promises not to decrease future benefits for any recipient, and extend the financial life of the Trust

Say what? Apples and oranges are too alike to be used to describe the differences between these two plans.

Fund until 2057.

Quite to the contrary, Bush's plan calls for a depletion of the revenues into the Trust Fund, since he proposes to use part of those revenues to invest in the private market. The Bush plan not only won't extend the life of the Trust Fund, but would shorten it unless benefits are reduced accordingly.

Bush argues that the shortfall in benefits should be made up by the returns an individual will realize in his or her market account. That may be so, but the problem is that the government no longer guarantees that it will be.

In other words, under Bush's plan, the federal government is waltzing out on part of its promised income to future recipients. If you think this is no big deal, I recommend that you write to the Social Security Administration and find out what your benefits you are entitled to under the current system. You will most likely be very surprised at how high they are. So, whether you are 30 or 50 something, it's time to start paying attention to this issue — after all, it's your money they're talking about.

What Bush ignores is that the federal government already guaranteed that income. That was the deal each of us made with our government when the first FICA dollar was deducted from the first paycheck of our first job.

So one major difference between these two proposals is that Gore, unlike Bush, believes the government must honor its obligation to pay future recipients their promised benefits. The federal government has no business changing horses in mid-stream to avoid keeping its end of the bargain.

As for Gore's proposal to offer government matching funds to those low and middle income Americans who choose to take advantage of his special IRA accounts, that is totally new. No one has proposed anything like that before.

For years, President Clinton has tried unsuccessfully to get Congress to authorize individual savings accounts which would give special tax benefits to middle income Americans who utilized them. The Administration's goal was to encourage the private savings needed to continue the prosperity of our economy, as well as to provide a much deserved tax break for the overburdened middle class.

But the president, nor any one else, has ever suggested that in return for Americans' willingness to save, the government would match those savings up to two percent of their annual income, never mind at a ratio of 3:1 for those whose incomes are \$40,000 or below. With pension plans disappearing at an alarming rate for the vast majority of our middle income workers, Gore's plan offers some real hope for restoring the financial security that is being lost by millions of American families.

If Gore's numbers add up (that is, if we still have sufficient resources to pay off the debt to shore up Medicare and Social Security), his idea is a great one.

But whether it is a good idea or not, his proposal should be taken seriously and evaluated on its merits. That courtesy was extended to Bush when he unveiled his plan, and Gore deserves nothing less.

With friends like this, who needs enemies?

Jane Fonda ("Hanoi Jane") says she feels awful about posing for the famous photo with North Vietnamese soldiers in 1972.

"I will go to my grave regretting



The Real World

By B.J. Sessions, senior columnist

"It hurt so many soldiers. It galvanized such hostility. It was the most horrible thing I could possibly

do. It was thoughtless."

I must have lost something along the way, but I thought her purpose was to "galvanize hostility." She and draft dodger Bill Clinton are two of the biggest traitors to this country since Benedict Arnold, and Fonda got rich and Clinton became president of the United States, not once but twice.

Many a mother's son died in the sinking rice paddies in Vietnam, but "Hanoi Jane" and draft dodger Bill have lost nothing. Clinton went to Russia to protest while Russia was furnishing arms and supplies to kill American boys.

If I had my way, both Fonda and Clinton would be tried for treason. Many Americans opposed the Vietnam War and it was their right to do so. To give aid and comfort to the enemy, however, was not the way unless you are a Communist or Socialist.

Frankly, I have never been able to determine what Fonda and Clinton are. He has been suspected of playing footsie with the Chinese Reds ever since he has been in office. A bunch of his Chinese buddies have fled the country rather than face Congressional hearings concerning money given to him from the government of China. A lot of strange things have happened concerning Clinton's appointments.

Bill Richardson, his Secretary of Energy, has had all kinds of security breaches at the nuclear lab at Los Alamos, N.M. Wen Ho Lee, a nuclear scientist at the lab, is in jail awaiting trial for security violations.

Two computer hard drives from the lab's top-secret division disappeared and then suddenly resurfaced — kind of like Hillary's records at the White House. Richardson says that everything is OK, but we will probably never know who saw those drives. Richardson is the one who was trying to get Monica Lewinsky a job when she threatened to tell on Clinton.

I don't believe a word he says. Welcome to the real world.

Fax your letter to the editor today, 548-0390.

The Virginia Beach Sun

P.O. Box 1327
1024 North Battlefield Blvd.
Chesapeake, VA 23320
Telephone: (757) 547-4571
(USPS 660-140)

Publisher
Hanes Byrly

General Manager
Ron Wilmut

Editorial Supervisor
Jamie Brown

Editor
Victoria Hecht

Office Manager
Gerri Orange

Advertising
Brandy Cyr
Mary Speer

Composition Supervisor
Loretta Lomax

The Virginia Beach Sun is published every Friday by Byrly Publications, Inc., 1000 Army Drive, Franklin, Virginia 23851. Periodicals postage paid in Franklin, Virginia and additional entry offices. Postmaster: Send address changes to 1000 Army Drive, Franklin, Virginia 23851. Subscription Rates: By mail addresses within 40 miles of Virginia Beach, Va., one year, \$15.95, two years, \$28.95. Virginia and North Carolina, one year, \$17.85, two years, \$29.50. All other states one year, \$24.00, two years, \$38.50. Payable in advance.

Other Byrly Publications newspapers: The Chesapeake Post, The Portsmouth Times, The Tidewater News, The Brunswick Times-Gazette, The Independent Messenger, The Dinwiddie Monitor, The Petersburg Monitor.

One step closer to dream

At long last, the fulfillment of our "American dream" is in sight: We have found a house!

With just a month to go before we were to pack 'em up and move 'em



Off The Cuff

By Victoria Hecht, editor

home did.

I can't say I was devastated, because the house was never ours to begin with, but I was quite upset.

"See," I chided Evan. "I told you we should have put an offer on that house sooner. We shouldn't have waited for them to drop the price."

It was back to step one. I'll admit it wasn't very pleasant around our house for several days. Even drained conversations, knowing they'd eventually come around to "...we've got to find a house now."

I was worried. Looking at the calendar, I watched the days slip away. I knew that as of July 31st we'd have to be out of our house — and that meant three options: our own new house, staying with the in-laws, or renting a room at Motel 6.

Our house hunting became frantic. We stepped up the pace, looking at several in marathon sessions. But none really grabbed us. Hey, if we're going to mortgage our lives away, we want it to be a place we love.

One Monday night, after furnishing our agent with a list a mile long of homes we wanted to see that evening, it hit us. We'd probably surpassed the number of houses we'd looked at as first-time buyers — 37. That's a lot of houses, folks.

So we set out that night with boredom and anxiety — bored at the whole house-hunting routine, anxious at finding the right one.

We looked at six or so that night. We were about to call it quits for the evening when our agent suggested we look at this one home that wasn't on our list.

Yes, we knew about the home, but we didn't consider it. It wasn't two stories, and it was...well...right around the corner from the in-laws. We love

The vibe hit me immediately. It had that "homey" feeling that others had lacked.

them dearly, but we didn't want to be moving in on their territory.

"It couldn't hurt to look," we shrugged while getting out the car. "Might as well."

Then we stepped inside the large brick ranch with two-car garage.

The vibe hit me immediately. It had that "homey" feeling that others had lacked. I had told Evan I would know which house was the right one by how it felt. This felt right.

"You mean you like it?" he asked in amazement. "But I thought you didn't like ranches."

This one, however, "talked" to me. It had a large, formal living room with fireplace and picture window, a nice dining room with pewter chandelier, pretty woodwork and hardwood floors, a good-sized kitchen with bar opening into a large family room; two good-sized full baths, the garage and three big bedrooms (one with a walk-in closet).

True, I didn't have the office that my dream home featured, but I got a nice view from it. And to top it off, the back yard was massive — large enough to build an addition, put in an

inground pool, a big deck and still have lots of room for play. And there were tons of trees, something that was always a prerequisite.

"So do you want to put an offer on it," Evan asked.

"Yes, let's do it," I said.

It was music to our agent's ears. I'm pretty sure he was growing weary of our search, and Evan had told him I wasn't fun to live with at that point.

We worked up the offer that night. When we told my mother-in-law we may be living — literally — around the corner, her face lit up like it was Christmas. Her grandbabies would be within a two-minute walk.

Of course, the waiting game began after we made the offer. We waited for a counter offer...waited...and waited some more. Finally, news came. There was another offer too. But no decision.

My heart sank. We kept calling the agent to find out if he'd heard anything. Finally, the news came — we got the house.

Signing the papers that night, our agent ribbed me jovially.

"I am so glad you got this house," he said. "Evan told me that if you didn't, he wasn't going home. He was going to go stay with a buddy!"

I laughed, but it was probably true. I was that stressed out.

Now the work comes. We have to start boxing everything up, hold a yard sale and plan our own "house" for the house, like new countertops and fresh paint in a few rooms. But the fun part is in making it ours.

So onward, I say, one step closer to our American dream!

HOW TO SUBSCRIBE TO THE VIRGINIA BEACH SUN

☐ New Subscription ☐ Renewal

Please mail this coupon with your check to:
SUN, P.O. Box 1327, Chesapeake, VA 23327

RATES: Within 40 miles of Virginia Beach:

☐ One year \$15.95 ☐ Two years \$28.95

Elsewhere in Virginia and North Carolina:

☐ One year \$17.85 ☐ Two years \$29.50

All other states:

☐ One year \$24.00 ☐ Two years \$38.50

Name

Address

City

State Zip

Managing information technology is challenge of 21st century government

Today's advances in information technology are creating a fundamental transformation of the way we live our lives, educate our children, conduct our business, and run our government.



The Mayor's Report

Mayor Meyers Oberndorf

With this dawning of "the Digital Age," government must also change, taking advantage of the amazing new tools of information technology.

I'm certainly no Internet guru. I can't pretend to be a technology geek. But I do recognize the revolution

I'm certainly no Internet guru. I can't pretend to be a technology geek. But I do recognize the revolution that's upon us, the tidal wave of technology that will surely crash over us if we don't instead learn to rise up and ride its crest.

that's upon us, the tidal wave of technology that will surely crash over us if we don't instead learn to rise up and ride its crest. And I also recognize that in Virginia Beach, we have the bright people and qualified companies that are capable of using information technology to make e-government a reality.

In the past, information technology was relegated to the back rooms and basements of governments and companies. Government leaders and corporate CEO's seldom often had little knowledge or understanding of what happened in the dark corners of technology within their own organizations. Today's reality is very different.

CEO's and the private sector have embraced information technology, and now view it as a critical part of doing business. In fact, investment in information technology by U.S. business today represents over 50 percent of all business capital investment. And this investment has paid off with record increases in productivity.

As I became more and more involved with technology, I learned some important things that help me manage the technology challenge...I learned that:

■ We do not have to become computer experts or be up-to-the-minute with every new technology trend. But we do need to be aware of Information Technology and understand how it helps us. While many of us continue to shy away from computers, help is most likely within our own households. Most young people are learning computer skills as early as pre-school and elementary school — young people can help us. And an increasing number of senior citizens, drawn to e-mail and the Internet to communicate with children and grandchildren, can help us adapt and use the new technology.

■ Each of us needs to read, think, talk and speculate about the future, and study the success others have had. This involvement begins with conferences such as this one, and continues through participation in organizations such as the National League of Cities and the U.S. Conference of Mayors.

■ We need to involve our executive teams and the community in edu-

cation and development efforts aimed at setting our community's future in the network economy. Virginia Beach is part of the Hampton Roads region in southeastern Virginia. We have formed a group known as the Hampton Roads Partnership, which is made up of leaders from both regional governments and businesses. The Hampton Roads Partnership has taken the lead in funding and organizing Smart Region Hampton Roads to form a regional approach in meeting the needs of business, citizens and education using technology.

■ We need to engage our citizens in determining how this new technology will be implemented in our communities. In Virginia Beach, we've formed a Mayor's Special Commission on Electronic Government composed of citizens from every walk of life.

This group has been changed with the task of recommending services and priorities as we move to enhance and enrich our e-government offerings. We have launched VBgov.com, our Web address that will provide the platform for e-government in our city.

■ We need to have staff that can help us as we negotiate this new territory. We created the position of chief information officer reporting directly to the city manager. Now, we have an individual dedicated to monitoring the technology horizons, keeping pace with rapidly changing technology, and keeping me, the City Council and the city manager informed and advised of these changes. He has helped us to realize that we are all involved in this "revolution."

I feel that it is our responsibility to take a leadership role in our community's efforts to meet these challenges. We must ensure that our technologists work to minimize or eliminate the "digital divide," and that our communities and governments do not fall behind.

Technology in general, and Information Technology in particular, is the world of business and government today. We need to rush forward at Internet speed to welcome and embrace new technology. If we try to avoid it, we will not survive.

Lisa Chandler White, media and communications coordinator for the Office of the Mayor, contributed to this column.

YMCA gears up for 2nd annual Fitness Fiesta

The YMCA of South Hampton Roads is holding its second annual Family Fun and Fitness Fiesta Program, offering more activities and more opportunities to win prizes.

The five-week program, which kicks off this week, continues until Aug. 6 and is free to members of any YMCA in South Hampton Roads. Families sign up to participate in designated activities and upon completion of each activity, the family receives one "Y" point. Families who earn seven "Y" points receive T-shirts for the entire family.

Those who earn a total of 13 "Y" points earn one chance at the grand prize drawing, which includes a trip to Walt Disney World or one of several Family Entertainment Packages including gift certificates for the Rainforest Cafe and movie tickets to Regal Cinema. If a family earns 16 or more "Y" points, the family will be entered twice into the grand prize drawing.

"The YMCA promotes character

values such as honesty, responsibility and also promotes a healthy lifestyle within the family," says Terri Reedy, director of marketing and communications for the YMCA of South Hampton Roads. "One of the strongest programs that reinforces these values is the Family Fun and Fitness Fiesta."

The program offers a variety of activities for families to earn points including family aerobics and community clean-up projects. This year there are some unique programs being offered such as a Web-based scavenger hunt and the ability for families to create their own activities to earn "Y" points.

All of the local YMCA branches will offer activities and all activities are free and open to South Hampton Roads YMCA members. The drawing for the grand prize will be held on Aug. 16 and winners will be announced that same day.

For more information about the YMCA Family Fun and Fitness Fiesta call, 624-9622.

Up close and personal

Audrey Myers: Fashion focus

By Victoria Hecht
Editor

Audrey Myers is living her dream in seeing her creations worn by everyone from brides to cheerleaders, students to clergy. As the owner of IAMAD, an acronym for I Am A Designer, her lifelong vision of fashion design is coming true.

Now, the graduate Norfolk State University is sharing some of her good fortune with others. Though just 25 years old, Myers recognizes that she has been extremely fortunate in her career and young life.

Her way of giving back, among others, is a new program which allows girls to feel like the "belle of the ball" — even when they can't afford a gown of their own for that ball.

"There are so many people out there who want to go to the debutante balls, the dances and the weddings. These are things they want to do, but they can't afford it — they can't afford the gown," said Myers, who started her design business at age 18.

Myers put two and two together. There are lots of women out there, too, with perfectly good wedding gowns and party dresses — worn just once or twice — sitting in their closets. Those gowns could be put to good use, she figured.

"So what my mother Doretha (Myers' business partner) and I have decided to do is have people donate wedding gowns and other dresses they don't particularly want. Lots come from women who are divorced who don't want the dresses anymore. They want to get rid of them," she explained.

The first donations have already started to come in. Myers couldn't be happier. If the dresses are in style, they'll just be cleaned. If they're dated, Myers will rework them. The point is the gowns will serve a purpose. Young women can borrow them and feel like Cinderella at the ball.

"I am going to go to the schools and tell them that kids don't have to miss out on prom and dances. They'll have the same opportunities as other kids. Proms and dances are the high school memories. They're rewards, actually, for school. Everyone, regardless of money, deserves the right to go to their dances."

The same is true of young women who dream of wearing that long white gown to the altar. Some just can't afford it. Now they can, since it'll be free with IAMAD's help.

The new program comes during an extremely exciting time in Myers' life. In December, she became engaged and is now in the process of planning her October nuptials. Of course, she'll design her own gown. Myers' business is also taking off, including a new plus-size line and lingerie. She recently did a fashion show at MacArthur Mall, and her website is in the works.

In between, she's also teaching sewing classes to young people.

"It's a lost art," she said. "I remember when I was growing up, my mother made all my clothes. But today, you see people wearing Tommy Hilfiger, but they can't pay the rent!"

Myers has even taken up crafting porcelain dolls, dressed in creations of her design. It's fitting, considering her first step at design was creating doll clothing on a miniature sewing machine as a child.

"I know my talent is God-given. I didn't get it from books or teachers, though they did enhance it," she noted. "I'm fortunate."

Lately, Myers has been pursuing another long-time ambition: acting. She's taking classes now. And it fits in with her career goals — she can sew her own costumes.

"I love acting, and you know how all these actresses have their own clothing lines now. I'm letting them (producers) know that I'm an actress and a designer!"

To donate a gown to IAMAD, call Myers, 465-0894.

Name: Audrey Myers.

What brought you to this area: It's easy to say my parents brought me. I was born in Richmond and my parents moved here. Being a baby, I had no say so in the matter.

Hometown: I consider Portsmouth my hometown.

Age: 25.

Nickname: Pookie. Now my dad says I was so peculiar looking that my mom looked down at me and called me Pookie. I has stuck ever since.

Occupation: Manufacturer and fashion designer. We manufacture clergy robes, usher uniforms, school uniforms, dance costumes, wedding gowns under our label, and just helping in sewing emergencies of any kind.

Marital Status: I recently became engaged to Carl Parramore the day after Christmas, which was a total surprise since he asked my dad for my hand over the phone while we were out at dinner. I thought he was going to wash his hands, and he was using the phone calling for my dad's permission.

Children: None.



Myers put two and two together. There are lots of women out there, too, with perfectly good wedding gowns and party dresses — worn just once or twice.

Favorite movies: Since I am engaged now, I am becoming addicted to any wedding movie such as "My Best Friend's Wedding" and "The Best Man." But I also love "Mahogany" and "An Officer and a Gentleman" (my fiancé is a retired major from the Air Force).

Favorite magazines: Black Enterprise, Robb Report, Ebony, Apparel Manufacturing.

Favorite authors: Nikki Giovanni, Maya Angelou and James Baldwin.

Favorite night out on the town: The night of Dec. 26, 1999, because it was the night that would change my life. My boyfriend asked me to get dressed up for dinner, but since it was the day after Christmas I wanted to remain casual. The house was full of friends and family all day and I had no idea he had been trying to get my dad alone to ask for my hand in marriage. So while at the restaurant he excused himself and made the phone call to my dad. My parents said "yes" and he wanted to walk off dinner and go to Waterside. While out on the observation deck, he dropped to one knee and proposed. I was speechless. I just nodded my head "yes." All I could think of was to call my mom.

Favorite restaurant: Mahi Mahi's.

Favorite meal and beverage: I am a seafood girl. It has to be pineapple fried crab cakes and a virgin pina colada daiquiri.

What most people don't know about me: This is going to be surprising to a lot of people, but I have always had a secret desire to be a clown. I was hooked when my parents took me to my first circus at age 4. I was queen of the circus and got to ride on the animals. That night I came home, took permanent markers and drew a big smile like a clown around my lips. My mom was upset, my dad thought I was hysterical and I, well, that thing took more than a month to come off.

Best thing about myself: I always try to put the feelings of others before myself.

Worst habit: Taking things personal and learning that saying "no" does not make you a

bad person.

Pets: A 17-year-old terrier/poodle mix named Blitz.

Hobbies: Making porcelain dolls.

Ideal vacation: Touring Europe to visit Italy, Greece and France.

Pet peeves: People who are rude. I feel there is no excuse for rudeness, and I believe anything can be said to anyone in a nice manner.

First job: Working at DJ's Records and Tapes. I had looked everywhere and no one would hire me because of my age. So I took my parents' client file list and went to each one asking, "Since my parents are your accountants, can you hire me too?" DJ's Records and Tapes said "yes" and it was one of the greatest experiences of my life.

Least liked job: I have been lucky when it comes to jobs, but I have to admit it was designing costumes for Busch Gardens. The drive was awful from Portsmouth to Williamsburg on a daily basis.

Favorite sports team: The Dallas Cowboys because of Deon Sanders. But now I am going to have to change teams since he has been traded.

Favorite musician: Babyface, Joe and Boney James.

Most embarrassing moment: Going out to eat and sitting at the wrong table. The couple arrived at the table and we were staring at each other. Meanwhile, my fiancé was trying to get my attention from the other side of the room.

How I would like to be remembered: As having made a change in someone's life with the charitable organizations I have started, such as the free prom gowns for girls who cannot afford one.

If I received \$1 million: I would start training programs and especially positive mentoring programs where people can learn a trade and not just be given handouts. Positive mentoring is important because, unless people are shown and made to believe in themselves first, all the training in the world is not going to be that productive. With my company we take in women and teach them how to sew. Once the training is completed, we give them an opportunity to use their talent with us.

If I had 10 minutes on national television: I would show all the poverty-stricken areas and children not completing high school to prove how much we all need to give patience and part of our time to change home conditions.

*Tired of bad news? Want to hear about the positive?
Subscribe to The Virginia Beach Sun. Call 547-4571 today!*



SUMMER SHAKES. "A Midsummer's Night Dream" comes alive at Seateck Park as Summer Shakes presents the classic July 6-30. Curtain time is 8 p.m.

Summer Shakes stages classic 'Night's Dream

By Jason Norman
Correspondent

In the late 15th century, a legendary British playwright sat down to form a new creation. Just having finished the immortal tragedy "Romeo and Juliet," the Bard now wanted to create a production that would become a shining light in the hearts of viewers, something that would bring a smile to all with the good fortune to discover it.

After several mishaps, the man finally had an idea. On the paper before him lay a story that would come to be known as one of the greatest romances of all time. As with virtually all of the man's comedies, marriage would play a large role in the play.

But unlike such works as "Much Ado About Nothing" and "The Taming of the Shrew," the new production contained a large "plot-with-a-plot," one that would give the play a new meaning, one that had never been completely explored in the man's work.

His name was William Shakespeare. His play was called "A Midsummer Night's Dream." Five hundred years after its creation, this beloved comedy is still entertaining viewers around the globe — even right here in Virginia Beach.

It was the story of Theseus, the Duke of Athens, who was planning his upcoming marriage to Hippolyta. Eventually, the audience meets couples haunted by their forbidden love, such as Hermia and Lysander, and Helena and Demetrius.

As with many of the playwright's traditional plays, the young lovers escape to a secluded area, the woods. This time, however, they are greeted by several fairies and a young man named Puck, who attempts to cast a spell upon the lovers to make them find their true feelings for each other.

Soon, however, the audience discovers the second branch of the story; the play that several local workers have created to celebrate the marriage.

Called "Pyramus and Thisbe," it's a fanciful production, one pieced together by the most unprofessional of actors. Out of fear, the workers decide to make the play less realistic (for example, one character takes the time to explain to the audience that he is not really going to die, only pretending to do so).

Eventually, though, the lovers discover their feelings for each other. As is tradition for all of the Bard's comedies, the story ends with marriage. On the happy side, the play is indeed performed for King Theseus and everyone retired to bed.

For the Hampton Roads Shakespeare Festival 2000, the production company Summer Shakes has

brought "A Midsummer Night's Dream" to life at the outdoor Seateck Park.

"This is the first time I have directed this play in particular," said Ann "Russ" Taylor, who also produced the play. "I have really enjoyed working on 'Midsummer.' I chose it because I knew that it would be a good draw."

"Russ has taken on a lot of work, and she's done very well," said Brandon Bolden of Virginia Beach, who, at 16, is the youngest member of the cast. "We're all very pleased with her work."

Bolden, who plays the roles of Flute and Thisbe, spoke about working on an outdoor set.

"It's been very interesting," he admits. "We've had to adjust to jets flying over our set. The weather is just something that we have to deal with."

Dave Mackay, who plays Theseus, agrees. "I think the hardest thing about this play is performing outdoors," he said. "We've had to deal with bugs, and we don't have any dressing rooms. Every night, we had to completely tear down the sound system and lighting and each character is responsible for their own costumes."

"What I really like in Shakespeare's writings," said Celia Burnett (Hippolyta), "is that there are all the clues that an actor needs. In modern plays, people talk about the subtext, and what's going on with the character that's not written. But in his plays, everything that you need to know is there — you just have to look for it."

"When I read Shakespeare's work in high school," Burnett continued, "I didn't really understand or like it. But I think that's because his work cannot be fully understood on paper; it has to be seen."

Burnett may have one of the biggest roles in "Midsummer," but her Shakespearean career didn't exactly get off to a blazing start. "My first role was a production of 'Romeo and Juliet,'" she laughs. "I played 'Servant with Letter.' I had one great scene!"

"Our goal is to keep Shakespeare entertaining and exciting to all audiences," said Taylor, "and comedies are easier to work with, which is why we chose this one. It's a very fun production. I think that if people don't laugh at this, then there is something wrong with them!"

The play will be run on Thursdays through Sundays from July 6 to July 30, starting at 8 p.m. It can be seen at Seateck Park just off the Birdneck Road exit from 264. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for students and seniors. Viewers are advised to bring chairs and blankets to the production.

Beach Bar recognized

The Virginia Beach Bar Association will receive an Award of Merit from the Conference of Local Bar Associations (CLBA) for its Seateck Mentoring Program.

After deciding to sponsor a tutoring program, members of the Virginia Beach Bar Association met with the principal of Seateck Elementary School, who informed them that many of the fifth graders were reading well below their grade level and were in need of both educational and emotional support.

Each volunteer meets with his or her student for one hour, once a

week. The student and mentor work together in the classroom or spend time in the library reading, studying or just conversing.

Seateck Principal Katherine Everett says she can see the results in the fifth graders, academically, socially and emotionally. The bar will also work with third graders next year, and hopes to expand the Seateck Mentoring Program to other classes.

The CLBA encourages cooperation among Virginia's 115 local and specialty bar associations. It acts as a clearinghouse for local bar leaders to share resources, programming ideas and information. It aims to promote the improvement of the practice of law and enhance the public understanding of the law and the legal profession.

By Jane Rowe
Correspondent

It's blueberry time in Pungo, and this year's crop promises to be sweeter, juicier and more abundant than ever.

A mild spring and the right combination of sun, heat and rain have brought the berries out early this year, and they should be in peak condition for pickers this weekend, according to Juanita Burns, owner of Pungo Blueberries.

Mrs. Burns and her husband, Robert, long-time veterans at blueberry farming, say that this year's crop is the best in at least four years.

"We expect the season to extend until about Sept. 1 this year," Mrs. Burns said, "and in the past two years we've had to close in mid-August. Late frosts and wind storms cut into the crops those years, but Mother Nature has been kind to the fruit crops so far this year."

"We didn't have a late frost this year, and the rainfall's been about right so far this year," Mrs. Burns said. "We think that all of the recent rain will help them get through the hot summer, but we do have irrigation if we need it."

The Burns also sell vinegars and homemade jams, and cocktail

"We didn't have a late frost this year, and the rainfall's been about right so far this year."

Juanita Burns

tomatoes on their Muddy Creek Road farms. They also sell two products which are still relatively new locally, including elephant garlic and blue potatoes. Elephant garlic, which is actually a leek, has a garlic-like flavor but it is sweeter and milder. It can be used for cooking, eaten raw or made into jellies.

The blue potatoes, a South American variety, are small potatoes with a dark skin and a mottled blue interior. They can be eaten baked or boiled.

The blueberries were already beginning to ripen last weekend, and pickers who were in the field found that the fruit was well worth the effort of picking it. "This is the first time we've been down here," said Len Rappaport, who was on a family outing with his wife, Sue, and two small children, Samantha and Carl. "They're (the berries) good. They're definitely better than the ones in the store."

"They're really good," emphasized 4-year-old Samantha.

'Grease' is the word at Pavilion

Virginia Musical Theatre (VMT) presents "Grease," America's favorite '50s rock 'n' roll musical, at the Virginia Beach Pavilion Theatre July 14-23.

"Grease" captures the look and sound of the era when ducktails, pedal pushers and bobby socks were the fashion. The show dances its way through such nostalgic scenes as pajama party, sock hop and prom.

One of Broadway's longest running musicals, the high energy of "Grease" brings audiences to their feet. New York critics have called the show "a winner — lively and funny — the dancingest show in town!"

VMT's "Grease" features a cast of 17 professional performers and an orchestra of eight. Heading the cast is Jeremy Gilbert, who creates the role of Danny Zuko.

In New York, he appeared as Joe Hardy in "Damn Yankees," Pontus Pilate in "Jesus Christ Superstar," and Lank Hawkins in "Crazy for You." Featured as Kenickie Gary Steven Martin first created this role in the national tour with Frankie Avalon.

In New York, he appeared in "Kiss Me Kate," played Jack in the off-Broadway revival of "Babes in Toyland," and in Germany he performed the role of Willy Parker in "Oklahoma."

Playing the role of Sandy is Jennifer Miller, who was featured in "Jukebox" and "Aye Carmine!" aboard Princess Cruise Lines. Jenna Coker, who creates the role of Rizzo spent the last year appearing in the national tour of "Annie." Playing the role of Marty is Diana Preisler, who performed the

Big, beautiful berries abound!



PLUMP FOR THE PICKING. The berries are heavy on the bush at Pungo Blueberries in Virginia Beach.

blueberries require little effort once they're picked; they're great eaten raw, and they can be frozen in the skin for cooking later. For those who are interested in baking them in desserts, Mrs. Burns has a variety of recipes printed. She also has a lot of recipes for elephant garlic, including the following for elephant garlic dumplings, which she says is a personal favorite.

Elephant Garlic Dumplings
1 and 1/2 cups flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
1/2 teaspoon salt
2 tablespoons shortening
1 egg
1/3 cup milk
3 to 4 cloves elephant garlic, minced.

Measure dry ingredients into a medium bowl; cut in shortening. Combine egg, milk and garlic in separate bowl; beat until well blended. Add to flour mixture, stir until combined.

Drop spoonful of dough into simmering stew or soup, leaving room for dumplings to expand. As soon as dumplings rise to top, cover and cook 8 to 10 minutes or until done and toothpick inserted into dumpling comes out clean. Serve at once. Makes eight to 10 large dumplings. For perfect dumplings every time, keep stew or soup simmering gently. Do not boil.

Frozen fruit desserts and hot summer days are a match made in heaven, so when it's too hot to bake, try this recipe, also loaned from Mrs. Burns' collection.

Blueberry Sorbet
8 cups fresh blueberries, lightly rinsed and dried
3/4 cup sugar



BERRY BEAUTIES. Samantha and Carl Rappaport, ages 4 and 2 respectively, proudly display the buckets of plump blueberries they helped pick at Pungo Blueberries. The berries will be available at the Muddy Creek Road farm through July and August.

1/4 cup fresh lemon juice
1/2 cup water
Purée the blueberries in a blender. Transfer them to a medium-sized pot. Add the sugar, lemon juice and water. Bring to a

boil and remove from the heat. Strain into a bowl and set aside to cool. Then freeze in an ice cream maker according to the manufacturer's instructions. Yield: six cups.

ment of "Grease" may be reserved by calling VMT at 340-5446. Adult tickets cost between \$20-\$30, children 16 and under are \$10. Matinee and evening performances

are available as follows: Fridays, July 14-21, 8 p.m.; Saturday, July 15, 2 and 8 p.m.; Saturday, July 22, 8 p.m.; Sundays, July 16-23, 2 p.m.

to register. Participation is limited to 50.

■ "Get Carried Away with the Science of Surfing," a storytime program at Bayside Area Library, Tuesday, July 25 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. The Bayside Area Library (936 Independence Blvd.) presents an entertaining storytime program for children ages 3 and up, about the understanding of the science behind water sports such as surfing. Call 460-7518 to register. Participation is limited to 50.

■ Fantasy Trunk Show at Bayside Area Library, Thursday, July 20 from 4 to 5:30 p.m. The Bayside Area Library (936 Independence Blvd.) presents the Virginia Opera with an interactive make-believe workshop for children, ages 3 and up. With the help of a trunk full of costumes and props, children will stretch their imaginations. Call 460-7518 to register. Participation is limited to 50.

■ "Get Carried Away With Your Imagination" storytime at Kempville Area Library, Thursday, July 20 at 2:30 p.m. The Kempville Area Library (832 Kempville Rd.) presents a Summer Reading Program of stories, songs and activities celebrating "Imagination." For children ages 3 to 6. Attendance is restricted to the children only. Parents are requested to stay in the main area of the library for the duration of the program. Call 495-1016 to register. Participation is limited to 60.

■ "Sailors Song Bag of Musical Stories" at Pungo-Blackwater Library, Saturday, July 22, 2 to 3 p.m. The Pungo-Blackwater Library (916 Princess Anne Rd.) presents Bob Zentz with his musical stories. The whole family will be entertained and educated through a sense of history, humanity, humor and musicianship. Call 426-5194

Tickets for this limited engagement are available as follows: Fridays, July 14-21, 8 p.m.; Saturday, July 15, 2 and 8 p.m.; Saturday, July 22, 8 p.m.; Sundays, July 16-23, 2 p.m.

LIBRARY NOTES

Filipinos mark culture

Continued From Page 1

"The turnout for this event has been great," said Romy San Antonio, the event's chairman. "But regardless of the number of people who attend, we are all able to share one goal of friendship and camaraderie in our own little group."

"This event is a great vehicle for establishing friendship among our community," San Antonio continued. "We have so many different backgrounds in the Philippines, and to get so many groups together in one day is very exciting."

Philippine Nurses of Hampton Roads president Sol Aguinido echoed San Antonio's sentiments.

"With this event, we are able to communicate with others, and let them know that our values are visibility, visibility, and visibility," she said of her organization.

"Most times, the people in the community come to us and ask us to perform medical services, like blood pressure and disease checks. We do blood banks and blood pressure screening, and we do a great deal of health care education."

"Personally, I've been here since 1991," Aguinido said. "This event just keeps growing and growing, and it's a great time. There's always plenty of food, plenty of people that I haven't seen for a long time."

Several at the festival brought forth their own way of celebrating their culture. Throughout the park, adults and children could be seen exhibiting Filipino traditional clothing and dances.

"I am from Baguio Fil-Am, the northernmost part of the Philippines. The weather there is like that in San Diego all year-round," joked panyoro Hilda Monte.

"Filipino-American Friendship Day is usually celebrated on July 4, both in America and in the Philippines," Monte continued. "June 12th is the actual anniversary of when America gave the Philippines their independence, but since Independence Day for America is

on July 4, it was decided to also make it Filipino-American Friendship Day."

Some had attended the festival for political reasons. For example, representatives of the American Coalition for Filipino Veterans sought support for the passage of a new bill through the Senate.

"The Filipino Veterans Benefit Improvement Act will allow our Filipino World War II veterans to be recognized as US veterans, so that they can receive care at Veterans' Hospitals," said Eric Lachica, the program's executive director. "Unfortunately, the Rescission Act of 1946 denied them that right." Lachica has a personal reason to fight for this honor; his father was a World War II vet.

The Rescission Act mandated that service rendered by Filipino veterans was not considered to be active service during World War II, and that no benefits should be awarded to them (said benefits were awarded to French, Italian and German soldiers who fought for the U.S. during WWII).

"Hopefully, Virginia Sens. Chuck Robb and John Warner will back our bill," Lachica said, "but it's been hard to contact them thus far."

The Filipino-American Community Action Group was on hand to assist the Filipino community in learning more about social and political activities in the area.

"In addition to that," said chairman Manding Salinas, "we conduct voter registration, town hall candidate meetings, evaluations and endorsements. We are the only Filipino-American organization in the area that is actively engaged in political activities." In the group's booth stood a desk in which passersby could register to vote.

"Our current project is the teaching of the Filipino National language, Tagalog, to the community," Salinas said.

Those interested can contact him, 420-3851.



THE GANG'S ALL HERE. The runners currently known as "Charlie's Angels" gather after a hard morning's run.

Couple's ultimate 'Test'

Continued From Page 1

they enjoy having the training time together.

"We keep each other motivated," said Maggie.

Charlie Serran, a contractor, coaches the Tests and their team members. He meets the team every Saturday for the "long run" to run alongside the participants, encouraging them as they push further, providing guidance for their individual training, and answering fitness and training questions.

While they group has not yet decided on a name, they are considering titling themselves "Charlie's Angels."

Serran explains that each of the participants are given an honorific, a person suffering from arthritis whom they can meet and think about as they prepare for the race.

Pointing to a bracelet with the name "Derek" on it, Serran notes that as he works with the racers, he still thinks about his first honorific, a young boy named Derek, who was practically crippled with rheumatoid arthritis.

Arthritis affects more than 43 million Americans, that is one in every three families, according to statistics from the Arthritis Foundation. There is still no known cure for this often debilitating disease.

Funds raised from the marathon participants will go directly toward the Foundation's effort to find a cure for arthritis.

The runners indicated that the greatest motivator for them as they carry out their preparation for the race is seeing money come in that can be used to help those they have seen whose lives have been affected by arthritis.

For more information about Joins In Motion contact Melissa Sharp at the Arthritis Foundation, 420-4638. Send contributions to Run For the Test Mothers, The Arthritis Foundation, 900 Commonwealth Place, Suite 101, Virginia Beach, Va. 23464.

Principal retires on top

Continued From Page 1

"Actually, make that 52 years — counting those years I was behind the desk," he clarified. Administration came easily for Mizelle, who became an assistant principal after just six years of teaching.

A graduate of Suffolk's now-defunct Holland High School, Mizelle furthered his studies at Elon College, graduating with a teaching degree. He and a buddy applied for jobs with the Jacksonville, Fla. school system; Mizelle got a position, but his friend didn't.

After two years coaching and teaching in Florida, he came home to Virginia.

"When I got out of school, it was my number one goal to get a job. I really wanted to coach, though, and thought the only way to do that was to teach," he admitted.

But when he began teaching, Mizelle grew to love that, too. Back in Hampton Roads, he coached two years at Granby High School while teaching at Northside Middle. Then he came to Virginia Beach, teaching for two years at John B. Dey Elementary.

After just six years at the chalkboard, he was offered an assistant principalship. A highlight including opening the new Tallwood Elementary, which he led for eight years. Mizelle served Glenwood as principal for three years.

He was a principal for 26 years altogether.

Though he loved teaching, his heart never tugged him back to the classroom.

"I missed it, but you can



TYING UP LOOSE ENDS. Glenwood Elementary Principal Ralph Mizelle jokes with school secretary Sandi Eakes on his last day. He was named Elementary School Principal of the Year in Virginia Beach.

always go back when you want — kind of like being a grandparent, you can give them back," he smiled.

Even until his last day, though, he was diligent to the job. "I'll be here until 4 o'clock. I can't leave loose ends for her (new principal Barbara Sessions)," he explained.

Mizelle already has plans for Monday morning. "I'm going to sleep late," he proclaimed. "My first day of retirement I'm going to take it easy. I haven't made too many plans."

And his wife, a bookkeeper at Independence Middle School, has plenty of "honey-do's" for the new retiree.

"I've got 34 years of neglect around the house to take care of," said Mizelle, a Kempsville resident.

He's touched by the fact that his 55 or so colleagues in the

Virginia Beach Association for Elementary School Principals honored him as their top principal. It's quite a way to go out, he mused.

"I think I got the sympathy vote," said Mizelle. "It was a total surprise — I didn't even vote for myself!"

To top it off, Mizelle was feted with a party at Dam Neck Officer's Club, where the theme was his new golfing "career."

"I'd say it was more of a toast than a toast!" he laughed.

LEGAL NOTICES

TRUSTEE SALE OF
313 Steeple Lane
Virginia Beach, VA 23452

In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of \$78,500.00, from Joyce G. Hart and Shauna P. Cabarras, Grantors, dated May 4, 1993, recorded among the land records of the Circuit Court for the CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH on May 10, 1993 in Book 3213 at Page 1927, the undersigned appointed Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the main entrance of the Courthouse for the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, 2305 Judicial Blvd., Virginia Beach, Virginia on 07/18/00 at 2:00 P.M., the property with improvements to wit: All that certain lot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon, situate, lying and being in the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, being known, numbered, and designated as Lot 7, in Block A, as shown on that certain plat entitled: "Resubdivision Plat of Block A, Section One, Thalia Wayside Townhomes Kempville Borough, Virginia Beach, Va." which plat is recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Map Book 184 at Page 30. This is the

same property which was conveyed by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to Joyce G. Hart and Shauna P. Cabarras by deed of even date and to be recorded herewith. And described in the above Deed of Trust.

TERMS OF SALE: ALL CASH. A bidder's deposit of 10% of the sale price will be required in cash, certified or cashier's check. Settlement within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Trustees may forfeit deposit. Additional terms to be announced at sale.

Loan Type: CONV.
Trustee's File No.: L61025VIR
Substitute Trustee:
DRAPER & GOLDBERG,
P.L.L.C.

750 Miller Drive, Suite C-1
Leesburg, Virginia 20175
(703) 777-7101
Email: kellen@dragold.com

25-1
417-14

Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE
3220 Fluvanna Circle
Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Douglas A. Winner and Kathryn Winner dated October 8, 1997 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3903, page 891, securing a loan which was originally \$165,750.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the front steps of the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on July 14, 2000 at 8:06 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot 91, Section M-4. Tax Map #1493:17-3103-0000.

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid at the said sale.

TERMS: CASH: A bidder's deposit of \$16,300.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be announced at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum or contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

This notice is an attempt to collect on a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Loan Type: Conventional.
NP007150

FOR INFORMATION CON-

TACT - 8-11 AM

Nectar Projects Inc.

Substitute Trustee

751 Miller Drive, Suite G1

Leesburg, Virginia 20175

(703) 777-8619

26-1
247-7

Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE
4216 Conway Court
Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Kenny A. Price, Jr. and Katherine M. Price dated June 30, 1994 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3409, page 360 and re-recorded in Deed Book 3443, page 2020, securing a loan which was originally \$58,140.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the front steps of the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on July 14, 2000 at 8:04 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot 56, as shown on that certain plat entitled, "Green Run P.U.D. Subdivision, Section G-3, part 2, Kempville Borough, Virginia Beach, Virginia." Tax Map #148508-7392-0000.

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid at the said sale.

TERMS: CASH: A bidder's deposit of \$5,400.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be announced at the

Continued On Page 8

Education center

Continued From Page 1

vision and excitement we all have for this facility," she said. "It was really gratifying to see how enthusiastic that they all were about getting this project under way."

The ceremony was characterized as the "first step" in making the vision of the Colonial Education Center at The Lynnhaven House a reality. The proposed new structure will function as a visitor welcome center which will contain a multipurpose great room, gift shop, library, kitchen, and offices.

Colonial life skills programs, school related tours, re-enactment encampments, archaeological workshops, book signings, and various ancillary programs have long been part of the educational mission of the historic 18th-century home. The new educational center will provide badly needed space for conducting scheduled activities and for fostering new programs that reflect family life in colonial times. The proposed new facility will also enhance the existing programs and enable the staff and volunteers to more effectively promote Virginia colonial history and local social history as a part of the interpreta-

tion of the house.

"The Colonial Education Center will be a culmination of the dream of many people associated with the Lynnhaven House, past and present," observed site administrator Bueche.

"It will enable us to do an even better job of making the colonial period come alive for our school children and the public in general," said Bueche. "We want to help children grow up with a real pride in this country and its forefathers. It's important that they know their history and about the people who lived, struggled, and died to make this nation great."

The Lynnhaven House, built in 1725 by Francis Thelaball from Norfolk County, is among the oldest and best preserved colonial brick homes in America. After the Revolutionary War, the brick house was sold to the descendants of Samuel Boush, the first mayor of Norfolk.

This sturdy old home once provided shelter for tenant farmers before it was bequeathed to the APVA in 1971 by the William Oliver family.

The Lynnhaven House, after being carefully restored, was first opened to the public in 1976.

1413 N. Great Neck Rd.
Virginia Beach, VA 23454

TAKE LESSONS NOW! CALL 481-7949

What's Down There Anyway?

Fishwatching, Reef Exploration, Animal Encounters, Underwater Photography, Treasure Hunting, Bottle Counting, Wreck Exploration, A Different World... Beneath The Waves!

VALUABLE COUPON

\$100.00 Off

BASIC SCUBA DIVING CLASS

WITH THIS COUPON ONLY
Excludes other offers • Exp. 9-15-00dmr

481-7949

1413 N. Great Neck Rd. • Virginia Beach, Va 23454

AUCTION

Real Estate

July 8, 10:00 a.m.

Boykins, Virginia

10:00 - 1st Parcel (Granary)

14,500 sq. ft. processing plant, warehouse & office, (2) 25,000 bushel bins for peanuts or grain, loading docks and indoor storage, near railroad spur, on Rt. 186, lifting hoist for trailers, dumping pit, must see. "Bins and building may be sold separately."

11:30 - 2nd Parcel (Warehouse)

10,000 sq. ft. warehouse, 12 loading docks, refrigeration rooms, heating & cooling, in middle of town, plenty of office space, tailor this building for your needs, must see.

12:00 - 3rd Parcel (Community Hall)

Central heat & air, parking for 63 cars, perfect for lodge hall, community building, church or small business, next door to warehouse (parcel #2).

Terms & Conditions: 10% day of sale, cash, check, V.C. or V.A. the next day (closing 30 days). This sale authorized by Patrick Realty, agent George Adams. The owner has given Patrick Realty the green light to sell, the real estate as an Auction. Announcements made during Auction Day takes precedent over all advertisements. These parcels can be sold before Auction Day. For details call John Marshall (757) 387-6188 or George Adams at (757) 387-4400.

****Owner Financing or financing available!****

John Marshall, Auctioneering

Voice: (757) 357-6156 • Mobile: 646-1289
Va. Lic #02078, N.C. Lic #6613
E-mail: sellit2@hotmail.com

Find what you're looking for in the classifieds.

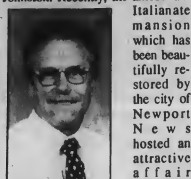


They can take the 'HEAT'

Law enforcement officers from across the state have earned recognition from the Virginia State Police's Help Eliminate Auto Theft (HEAT) program for their outstanding contributions in combating auto theft in 1999. The fourth annual Law Enforcement Officers (LEO) Awards were presented in Richmond by Virginia Deputy Secretary of Public Safety Bruce C. Morris, far left, and Suffolk Sheriff Raleigh Isaacs Sr., far right, a member of the HEAT Advisory Board, to recognize officers for their efforts. Among the honorees were Virginia Beach Police Department personnel Det. Pat Tucker, Det. Anastacio Toroc, Det. Gary Nelson, Det. Jay Javey, Det. Doug Williams, Sgt. Patrick Gough, Det. Mark Eastman and Det. Vernon Jones.

A Civil War correspondence

During the Peninsula Campaign, Lee Hall Mansion served as headquarters for Confederate generals John Magruder and Joseph E. Johnston. Recently, the antebellum



Out in Left Field

By Bob Ruegger, columnist

The day-long program featured a review of the troops, military encampments, house tours, period music, and even a skirmish. While enjoyed smelling black powder wafting through the air, conversing with the re-enactors, and listening to Civil War period music, the part of the program that made the biggest impression on me was a dramatic presentation by Historical Impressions, Inc.

"My Dearest Anne, My Dearest James" depicted the impact of Civil War on the lives of Sgt. James Cook and his wife Anne Cook who were separated by the conflict. Sgt. Cook was with the Army of Northern Virginia, and his wife was managing their farm near an obscure place called Skin Quarter in Chesterfield County, Virginia.

This historical vignette effectively used the exchange of correspondence between Sgt. Cook and his wife as the vehicle for providing an insightful glimpse into the lives of two ordinary people split apart by the ravages of war. The program successfully straddled that nebulous line that delicately distinguishes tenderness from sentimentality.

Although the setting was during the war years of 1863 and 1864, I found the sentiments that were shared between this couple in their exchange of letters to be timeless. The letters were not of a romantic nature, but the affection that this pair had for each other was clearly conveyed in the straightforward way in which they wrote.

The letters that Anne received from her husband were few. Although he mentioned the tough fighting in which his unit had been engaged at Gettysburg and the Wilderness, James did not go into the gruesome details of the battles. He was often concerned that Anne might worry too much about his safety.

James' sensitivity to Anne's needs was indicated by what he did not include in his letters. Sometimes he lied only to spare her feelings. When he received a birthday cake that Anne sent, it arrived crushed and as solid as hardtack. James wrote Anne that the



MY DEAREST ANNE. Sgt. James Cook reads a letter from his wife, Anne, who is struggling to make ends meet on their farm in Chesterfield County. The sergeant is portrayed by Ron Furquerson.



MY DEAREST JAMES. Anne Cook writes her husband, Sgt. James Cook, who is serving in the Army of Northern Virginia. She is portrayed by Valli Anne Trusler.

Although the setting was during the war years of 1863 and 1864, I found the sentiments that were shared between this couple in their exchange of letters to be timeless.

cake was wonderful.

While every letter Anne received from James emphasized how he missed her and home, each letter also stressed how determined he was to do his duty as he saw it. Anne, on the other hand, realized that keeping James' morale high was key to his psychological well-being — if not his physical survival.

She knitted socks for James from homespun wool to keep his feet warm during the winter. She also demonstrated her sensitivity by withholding details that might cause him to be overly concerned with the state of his farm. James wrote Anne in his last letter that he was going to be coming home soon on furlough.

Sadly, and perhaps predictably, James never saw Anne or home again. He was killed during the Battle of the Crater near Petersburg.

In the final scene, Capt. David Goode, James' commanding officer, wrote a letter informing Anne of James' death in battle. Goode lamented that although that duty had become familiar that it had never become easier.

During the course of "My Dearest Anne, My Dearest James," I began to identify with the plight of the people who were portrayed. From their letters and their poignant aides to the audience, I began to think of the Cooks as real people. I was very impressed by their regard for each other, but I was even more taken by their determination to do whatever was expected or required of them. Their strength of character — just ordinary folks — was awe inspiring.

The Cooks were composite characters. The particular of their lives came from researching the personal correspondence between Civil War era soldiers and their families. Very similar sets of experiences were typical to Virginians — as well as others — and their families during the Civil War. If this production had an air of authenticity — and it certainly did — that genuineness was the direct result of painstaking research.

Similar events and experiences have taken place during every war on every continent in every land. It has, regrettably, always been a part of the human condition.

Eventually the firing ceases, the smoke drifts away, and the dust settles. The bodies are buried, and the war is either won — or lost. And those ordinary folks that survive the conflict somehow always manage to carry on.

The theme of "My Dearest Anne, My Dearest James" was universal, and the message was unmistakable: The human spirit is unconquerable — indomitable.

It's impossible, in my opinion, not to admire the presence of that quality of resolution in the human condition. It's reassuring to me to recognize this extraordinary quality of resoluteness as is present in the ordinary individual as it is in the maps it's this trait that separates mankind from the rest of creation.

HEALTH TIPS

■ Sentara Virginia Beach General Hospital will hold a Breast Cancer Support Group meeting on Monday, July 10 at 7 p.m. in the Health Education Center, located across from the hospital's Emergency Department.

■ Sentara Virginia Beach General Hospital will hold a Cancer Support Group meeting on Monday, July 17 at 6:30 p.m. in the Health Education Center, located across from the hospital's Emergency Department.

This free service for cancer patients and their families offers both educational and emotional support.

■ The Diabetes Center at Sentara Virginia Beach General Hospital will hold a support group meeting on Tuesday, July 18 from 3 to 4 p.m. in the Health Education Center, located across from the hospital's Emergency Department. This free service for people with diabetes and their families offers both educational and emotional support. For more information call, 395-8836.

■ Sentara Virginia Beach General Hospital, in cooperation with the American Cancer Society, will hold a prostate cancer support group meeting, Man to Man, on Thursday, July 20 at 6:30 p.m. in the Health Education Center, located across from the hospital's Emergency Department. Man to Man meets the third Thursday of each month. Men diagnosed with prostate cancer and their family members are invited to attend. Call 395-8686 for more information.



PROUD MOMENT. Chesapeake Bay Academy celebrated its first graduation with five graduates on roll.

Chesapeake Bay Academy holds first graduation

Virginia Beach-based Chesapeake Bay Academy (CBA) held its first graduation ceremony for five graduates at the Drexler Manor Conference Center at NAB Little Creek. Mary Anne Dukas, head of school and Dennis Deans, chairman of the Board of Trustees, officiated the ceremony. Rabbi Michael Panitz opened the ceremony with the invocation, and Richard H. Love of TI Associates, Inc., delivered the commencement address.

Each of the five graduates, Beth-Ann Adams, Brendan Gricevich, Ben Johnson, Alexis Lassiter and Chris Schollan, had a family member or a faculty member speak on

their behalf.

Afterwards, Dennis Deans presented the diplomas and Mary Anne Dukas gave each graduate a different book pertaining to their individual interests. Family, friends, faculty and staff attended the graduation. It was an exciting, emotional event for everyone.

CBA, founded in 1989, is the only accredited independent school in Hampton Roads dedicated to the unique educational needs of students with Learning Differences and Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorders. CBA provides education for students in grades K-12 with a student/faculty ratio of 5/1.

events throughout Virginia Beach this summer.

Additional prizes for 2000 include:

- Trip for two to Cancun courtesy of C1 Travel;
- \$2,500 shopping spree courtesy of Farm Fresh;
- \$1,000 savings bond courtesy of BB&T; and
- Diamond pendant valued at \$1,700 courtesy of Long's Jewelry.

The 2000 Neptune Festival Poseidon Pin program is sponsored by GEICO Direct. Pins will be available at area Farm Fresh stores, Pizza Huts and Arby's as well as Pembroke Mall and the Neptune Festival office. Area businesses can purchase "buckets" which contain 50 pins from the festival office to sell or giveaway to customers or employees. Poseidon Pins are also available at all festival events and throughout Boardwalk Weekend.

Every year, the Neptune Festival draws hundreds of thousands of participants. 1999 attendance was estimated to be approximately 750,000, generating over \$15 million in economic impact for the city of Virginia Beach.

Virginia Beach community leaders created the festival in 1974 to embrace the local sea faring heritage and celebrate the finale of summer.

2000 Poseidon Pins are now available

The 27th annual Neptune Festival Poseidon Pins are now available.

In its eighth year, the Poseidon Pin program represents a significant fundraiser for the Neptune Festival and has contributed over \$150,000 since its inception in 1993. This year's collectible Poseidon Pins highlight the 2000 festival theme, "King Neptune's Magic Carpet Ride."

Poseidon Pins are sold in individual packages that retail for \$2 each. In addition to the pin, each package includes a registration form for one of five fabulous grand prize drawings, including this year's top prize, a 1974 cherry red MG convertible. The grand prize drawings are held Boardwalk Weekend and registrants do not have to be present to win. The package also includes a variety of valuable coupons from area merchants valid at over \$12. With each Poseidon Pin purchase, there is also a 1-in-40 chance for an "instant win" prize of a commemorative festival T-shirt.

This 1974 MG Midget convertible rolled off the line the same year the Neptune Festival made its debut. In mint condition, the British LeLand Motor Corporation car has 4 cylinders, 4 speeds and under 7,000 miles. The car will be on display at a wide variety of local

First Landing has full July

Several program events for First Landing State Park are planned in July. All programs are free and open to the public with parking fees. For more information call, 412-2306.

■ Wednesday, July 5 - Sunset Beach Walk, 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Discover the treasures of the beach while watching a beautiful sunset. Search and learn to identify a variety of beach creatures as you walk along the surf. Meet at the gazebo behind the Chesapeake Bay Center off Shore Drive.

■ Thursday, July 6 - In and Around First Landing, 7 to 8 p.m. Join our park staff as they share beautiful slides and stories about our park. Look forward to learning about the sites in the park, as well as some current history. Meet at the Trail Center Conference Room in the Natural Area off Shore Drive.

■ Friday, July 7 - crabbing, 7 to 9 p.m. Great program for families and anyone interested in learning how to crab with a baited line. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Line and bait can be purchased for a small fee from our park store, nets will be provided, or you may bring your own. Wear clothes that can get wet and old sneakers or water shoes. Sunscreen and a hat are recommended. Program is canceled in the event of rain. Meet at 7 p.m. in the amphitheater behind the Chesapeake Bay Center off Shore Drive.

■ Saturday, July 8 - Music in the Park, 7 to 9 p.m. Join "Imminence" as they play the violin and fiddle their way into your heart. Bring your lawn chair and/or blanket. Expect to have a special night of music. Gather at our gazebo behind the Chesapeake Bay Center off Shore Drive. To cover the cost of

this special program, a small fee will be collected to cover costs.

■ Sunday, July 9 - botanical tour, 10 a.m. to noon. Meet with Volunteer Interpreter Byron Babcock, for a look at plants native to the park. As we walk, we will discuss the relationships among plants species as well as the many roles that plants play in our own lives. Meets at the Trail Center in the Natural Area off Shore Drive.

■ Wednesday, July 12 - sunset beach walk, 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Discover the treasures of the beach while watching a beautiful sunset. Search and learn to identify a variety of beach creatures as you walk along the surf. Meet at the gazebo behind the Chesapeake Bay Center off Shore Drive.

■ Friday, July 14 - crabbing, 7 to 9 p.m. Great program for families and anyone interested in learning how to crab with a baited line. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Line and bait can be purchased for a small fee from our park store, nets will be provided, or you may bring your own. Wear clothes that can get wet and old sneakers or water shoes. Sunscreen and a hat are recommended. Program is canceled in the event of rain. Meet at 7 p.m. in the amphitheater behind the Chesapeake Bay Center off Shore Drive.

■ Saturday, July 15 - treasure hunt, 1 to 2 p.m. Join your child in a treasure hunt to discover the wonders in nature as you walk along our trails. There might even be a pirate treasure at the end of the trail. For a fun, educational family activity, meet at the Trail Center in the Natural Area off Shore Drive.

■ Saturday, July 15 - Music in the Park, 7 to 9 p.m. Join "Imminence" as they play the violin and fiddle their way into your heart. Bring your lawn chair and/or blanket. Expect to have a special night of music. Gather at our gazebo behind the Chesapeake Bay Center off Shore Drive. To cover the cost of this special program, a small fee will be collected to cover costs.

Elizabeth City, N.C. based Gateway Bank and Trust Company will open its first Virginia location at 4460 Corporation Ln. in the Pembroke section of Virginia Beach on July 10.

Established in December 1988 in Elizabeth City with branches in Roper and Plymouth, N.C., the Pembroke branch opening marks Gateway's first out-of-state expansion.

"We've come here to provide our neighbors in Virginia with all of the commercial, retail and online services found at large regional and national financial institutions, but

you may bring your own. Wear clothes that can get wet and old sneakers or water shoes. Sunscreen and a hat are recommended. Program is canceled in the event of rain. Meet at 7 p.m. in the amphitheater behind the Chesapeake Bay Center off Shore Drive.

■ Saturday, July 15 - treasure hunt, 1 to 2 p.m. Join your child in a treasure hunt to discover the wonders in nature as you walk along our trails. There might even be a pirate treasure at the end of the trail. For a fun, educational family activity, meet at the Trail Center in the Natural Area off Shore Drive.

■ Saturday, July 15 - Music in the Park, 7 to 9 p.m. Join "Imminence" as they play the violin and fiddle their way into your heart. Bring your lawn chair and/or blanket. Expect to have a special night of music. Gather at our gazebo behind the Chesapeake Bay Center off Shore Drive. To cover the cost of this special program, a small fee will be collected to cover costs.

Elizabeth City, N.C. based Gateway Bank and Trust Company will open its first Virginia location at 4460 Corporation Ln. in the Pembroke section of Virginia Beach on July 10.

Established in December 1988 in Elizabeth City with branches in Roper and Plymouth, N.C., the Pembroke branch opening marks Gateway's first out-of-state expansion.

"We've come here to provide our neighbors in Virginia with all of the commercial, retail and online services found at large regional and national financial institutions, but

AARP to meet

Princess Anne AARP Chapter 5119 will meet at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, July 11 at Princess Anne Recreation Center, 1400 Fennell Pkwy. A representative of the Virginia Attorney General's office will speak on matters concerning senior citizens and their protection.

At 12:30 p.m. the Virginia Beach Health Department will conduct blood pressure readings. Visitors and prospective members, age 50 and over are welcome. For additional information call, 430-2646 or 426-7023.

Night hike, seine fishing come to refuge

Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge will be hosting two events July 12-13:

■ On July 12, hike the refuge at night. A guided hike will take you out on the refuge trails so you can see things from a different point of view. Leave the flashlights at home. Pre-registration is required; call 721-2412 for more details.

■ July 13, Seine nets will be used by biologists to catch animals in shallow waters. Children will learn how to use a seine net and identify some common animals which are in the surf at the beach. Children should wear clothes and footwear which can get wet. For ages 8-12, pre-registration required. Call 721-2412 for more details.

Gateway Bank comes to Beach

Elizabeth City, N.C. based Gateway Bank and Trust Company will open its first Virginia location at 4460 Corporation Ln. in the Pembroke section of Virginia Beach on July 10.

Established in December 1988 in Elizabeth City with branches in Roper and Plymouth, N.C., the Pembroke branch opening marks Gateway's first out-of-state expansion.

"We've come here to provide our neighbors in Virginia with all of the commercial, retail and online services found at large regional and national financial institutions, but

Council leaves door open for Super Hornets at Oceana

Re-elections

The Virginia Beach School Board has re-elected Daniel D. "Dan" Edwards and Arthur T. Tate to serve a second one-year term as chairman and vice chairman respectively. Edwards, the controller for a local building materials company, was first elected to the School Board to represent the Centerville District in May 1998 and ran unopposed for a second four-year term this past May. His past work experience includes a 25-year career in the U.S. Navy, largely in public finance. Tate, an environmental engineer with the federal government, was originally elected to the School Board as an at-large member in 1996 and was re-elected in 1998. His current board term expires in June 2002.

ECSC volunteers

The East Coast Surfing Championships are coming Aug. 23-27 and needs help. This event offers a wide variety of volunteer opportunities from selling T-shirts, working with the surfers, moving supplies, pouring beer, working security, stage hands or just being available when odd jobs come up. If you work a four-hour shift you will receive a complimentary ECSC volunteer T-shirt. To find out more call 456-1565 and leave a name and phone number.

Used book sale

The Friends of the Virginia Beach Public Library will hold their Semi-Annual Used Book Sale from 5 to 8 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 26 and from noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 27 at the Virginia Beach Pavilion in Virginia Beach. Books available will cover all subjects and prices are low (\$1 for hardback books; 50 cents for paperback books). Admission is free and there is no limit to the number of books that can be purchased. For more information call 427-4321.

Family fun

Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge and the Back Bay Restoration Foundation will host a Family Fun Day at the Ashville Bridge Creek Environmental Education Center on July 15 from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Activities will include canoe trips, videos, games and guided hikes. Make sure you bring a picnic lunch, and the park will supply the watermelon. For directions or to reserve a spot on one of the canoe trips call 721-2412 for more details.

Fundraising golf

The Golf Samaritans organization is hosting a tournament at Heron Ridge Golf Course in Virginia Beach on July 17, beginning with a shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. The tournament benefits Children's Hospital of The King's Daughters.

The registration fee for a team of four players is \$850 and includes hole sponsorship, greens fees, cart, balls and lunch.

Golf Samaritans was founded in 1990 by golf buddies who wanted their involvement in golf to have a charitable purpose. They host numerous tournaments throughout Virginia each year and have raised \$400,000 since 1990 for various charitable organizations.

For more information or to register for the tournament call Jena Virga at 668-8940 or the Golf Samaritans for CHKD, 498-0223.

Benefit ride

The first Summer Motorcycle Ride for Cerebral Palsy sponsored by the Knights of Pythias of Virginia will be held on Sunday, July 23 at the Knights of Pythias Beach Lodge, 3467 Azalea Garden Rd.

Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. and the ride begins at 11:30 a.m. Registration fees are \$7 for a single rider and \$5 for an additional rider. Ride pins and T-shirts, door prizes and award prizes will be given to riders. The Knights of Pythias will provide breakfast snacks and a barbecue lunch. Entertainment by The Noodles.

There will also be retail displays and a \$0.50 raffle. All proceeds benefit programs and services for children and adults with cerebral palsy and other developmental disabilities UCP serves throughout our community. For more information call, 497-7474.

ADA dance

The American Diabetes Association will host a dance at St. Gregory's Catholic Church in the gym Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. St. Gregory's is located on Virginia Beach Boulevard in Virginia Beach, across the street from Haynes Furniture Store. The purpose of the dance is to bring awareness of the symptoms of diabetes, this event will have a deejay who will play Spanish music. The event will also feature international foods, games and prizes.

By Lee Cahili
City Council Reporter

After hearing a few dozen speakers, most of them tired of the jet noise out of the Naval Air Station at Oceana, City Council voted 10-1 with one abstention for a resolution which would leave the door open to having Super Hornets stationed here.

Councilwoman Reba McClannan, who cast the dissenting vote, said that her concern was the pressure to vote on the

resolution when she hadn't detected any intent to reduce the noise.

"I live under this and I think the noise is awful," she stated.

McClannan said that sometimes she can't even return phone calls. She said she needed more assurances and did not understand the push.

Her statement met with applause from the citizens who felt the same way. Most wanted council to defer the resolution even though council had in-

cluded a clause requesting that the Navy make efforts to locate outlying fields to reduce the noise.

Councilwoman Nancy Parker, who also felt that she needed more assurances about the noise, abstained, because she wasn't prepared to vote for the resolution but didn't want to vote against it either.

The resolution generally supports the location of the east coast F/A-18 E and F aircraft at Oceana and contains an

analysis of an alternative outlying field to reduce the noise impacts from FCLPs at Oceana and Fentress air fields.

The resolution also calls for the establishment of a 11-member commission to study the issue.

Councilwoman Barbara Henley who voted for the resolution with some misgivings, said that City Council was

See COUNCIL, Page 10

Outdoors plan estimated at \$144 million

By Lee Cahili
City Council Reporter

The latest update of the city's outdoors plan pegs the cost of site acquisition and improvements at \$144 million.

James B. "Barry" Frankfield, a planner with the Parks and Recreation Department, acknowledged the anticipated costs as extremely high, told City Council at a workshop Tuesday that the final report, expected in September will address priorities of improvements that will lower the cost by as much as half.

More costs could be shaved by coordinated the outdoors efforts with other city projects, such as roads, stormwater management or joining partnerships.

Phasing the projects over the long term would be helpful also, he said, but land would become less available and more expensive over time.

The Virginia Beach Outdoors Plan 2000 Update was developed by the city's open space advisory committee established by City Council in December of 1998.

Frankfield said that almost 500 citizens participated in the various public meetings with public comment taken through July 31.

The outdoors networks include greenways, beaches and scenic waterways, heritage and natural areas, parks and athletic facilities and trails.

Frankfield said that interest in waterways access was high and this is one of the least expensive programs.

He said that 19,315 acres of undeveloped land has been identified above the green line, 10 percent of the total land area north of the green line. Of this area, 10,000 acres are developable.

Included in the estimated cost are:
■ Land (2,756 acres), \$76 million; improvements (24 soccer fields and 48 ballfields, \$17 million; trails (140 miles) \$35 million; greenways (37 miles) \$13.5 million, and waterway access (21 sites), \$2.5 million. Among the methods recommended in the report are:

■ The revision or development of new land use tools — zoning and subdivision ordinances which would address tree and natural feature preservation.

■ Enhancement of current staff policies such as coordinating open space

See OUTDOORS, Page 10



PREPARE TO LAUNCH. Jackie Daley, left, and another Virginia Marine Science Museum volunteer prepare to introduce Blitzen, an endangered Kemp's ridley, into his new home — the Chesapeake Bay.

Rehabilitated turtle release produces mixed emotions

Stranding Team grew close to reptilian friends

By Bob Rueggesser
Correspondent

When seven rehabilitated sea turtles were released into the Chesapeake Bay at Cape Charles last week, the event proved bittersweet for some of the Virginia Museum Science Museum (VMSM) staff and volunteers who comprise the facility's Stranding Team.

For more than six months, 80 Stranding Team volunteers provided more than 2,500 hours of care for these reptiles that arrived suffering



FREEDOM! Lucy Loggerhead lumbers into the clear waters of Cape Charles City Beach after rehabilitation. Lucy was founded stranded at Kiptopeke not far from her release site. The Virginia Marine Science Museum Stranding Team nurtured her back to health.

See MIXED, Page 6

Dolphin watch 2000 takes to the waters

One of Beach's biggest tourism draws back for another season



THE BIG REWARD. Visitors board boats for visions like this: a pod of dolphins playing in the warm waters of the Atlantic off Virginia Beach. The Virginia Marine Science Museum dolphin trips are a big summer draw.

By Victoria Hecht
Editor

It's a packed boat today as 96 anxious visitors — some local, some from North Carolina and beyond — crowd the *Miss Virginia Beach* for one of the city's biggest summer draws. It's dolphin-watching time.

It's an atypical 75 degree summer morning as the group files aboard the 65-foot headboat at Rudee Inlet for a pleasant two-hour trip into the Atlantic, sponsored by the Virginia Marine Science Museum (VMSM). The visitors, including two schools groups and a family from Europe, have just one thing on their mind.

They want to see dolphins in their natural habitat.

Though there are no guarantees, their efforts will most likely be rewarded.

The warm waters of the Atlantic are a great nursery for young calves, and are rich in the dolphins' favorite foods.

"This is the hot time of year, so we always have plenty of sightings," explained Capt. Jeff Parks. "It's been pretty good since May."

With everyone seated, the *Miss Virginia Beach* slowly motors out of the inlet as interpreter Karen Clark addresses the boat over the PA. Also on board are museum volunteers Gentry and Marian Childress and first mate Christina Tripani.

"Today we're keeping our eyes out for bottlenose dolphins, and we need you to keep your eyes open for us," Clark noted.

See DOLPHINS, Page 4

Commentary

OCEAN SAFETY SMARTS

Sink or swim

Unfortunately, news of drownings and summer go hand in hand. Some would say it's inevitable. The inviting waves and too adventurous or inexperienced swimmers are a recipe for disaster.

Already this season lives have been lost at the Virginia Beach oceanfront and other beaches.

Drowning is the second leading cause of death from unintentional injuries for those aged 5 to 24 and the fourth leading cause of unintentional injuries for all ages, according to the National Safety Council.

Drowning can occur in home pools, community pools, oceans, lakes, water parks, bathtubs — even large buckets, toilets or kiddie pools. The large bodies of water that Hampton Roads offers — the Atlantic Ocean, Chesapeake Bay and a multitude of rivers — are reason to be even more careful.

Water safety is everyone's concern. Certainly, more lives can be saved if people learn to swim, know how to perform CPR and use caution in, on and around the water.

The American Red Cross offers these ocean safety tips highlighting the need to learn to swim, stay within the designated swimming area, and especially, never to swim alone:

- Learn to swim. The best thing anyone can do to stay safe in and around water is to learn to swim — adults and children alike. The Red Cross has swimming courses for people of any age and swimming ability.

- Stay within the designated swimming area, ideally within the visibility of a lifeguard.

- Never swim alone.

- Check the surf conditions before you enter the water. Check to see if a warning flag is up, or check with a lifeguard for water conditions, beach conditions or any potential hazards.

- Stay away from piers, pilings and diving platforms around the water.

- Keep a lookout for aquatic life. Water plants and animals may be dangerous. Avoid patches of plants and leave animals alone.

- Make sure you have enough energy to swim back to shore.

- Don't try to swim against a current if caught in one. Swim gradually out of the current by swimming across it.

For more information on water safety and courses, contact the American Red Cross: 446-7753 for Virginia Beach, Norfolk and Chesapeake, or 393-1031 for Portsmouth and West Chesapeake.

Swimming safely is the best defense against senseless drowning and more summer statistics. — V.E.H.



Fax us your letter to the editor today, 548-0390.

HOW TO SUBSCRIBE TO THE VIRGINIA BEACH SUN

☐ New Subscription ☐ Renewal

Please mail this coupon with your check to:
SUN, P.O. Box 1327, Chesapeake, VA 23327

RATES: Within 40 miles of Virginia Beach:

☐ One year \$15.95 ☐ Two years \$28.95

Elsewhere in Virginia and North Carolina:

☐ One year \$17.85 ☐ Two years \$29.50

All other states:

☐ One year \$24.00 ☐ Two years \$38.50

Name _____
Address _____
City _____
State _____ Zip _____

Letter to the editor

'Perspectives' on contribution from another side

Editor:

The Perspectives column by Eileen Huey of July 7 definitely shows that Huey has no understanding of the source of the money that the government throws at situations.

Huey supports Al Gore's proposal to give citizens \$3 for every one they save, to aid in their retirement.

In essence she is proposing that seniors on small fixed incomes and others of lesser incomes should be taxed so that Gore can give it to others to invest at their personal profit. Even the recipient of the funds would be taxed to enable the government to return it to them. Wow, is Gore intelligent!

The amount one receives from Social Security depends on how much they put in. This paycheck is subsidized by the following generation. It makes sense that if a person puts less in they will receive less back, and the cost to the following generation will be less. If the person wishes to use Bush's plan, then I say let them do it.

Huey's article clearly shows that she is very biased, not a deep thinker, and is mainly concerned with attacking Republicans and the ideas they support. Is she opposed to a balanced budget, an idea the Republicans forced on Clinton, or would she rather keep going into debt? Is her personal pocket so deep she doesn't have to worry about high taxes? I wonder if she realizes how much it will cost her in additional taxes if Gore's plan of \$3 for each one put into savings becomes effective?

Gore deserves cheering, not snickering

Karen Milken's article "Forum: Vietnam Service" which appeared in the *Virginian-Pilot* on July 6 deserves our appreciation.



Perspectives

By Eileen Huey,
Chesapeake

From the sometimes snickering and even jeering tone of her remarks, Milken obviously has little understanding of the Catch-22 dilemma facing our young men during those turbulent years when America pursued the bloodiest and least justifiable war in our entire history.

But those of us who lived through those times as young adults realize that Al Gore did what almost no son of a wealthy and influential family did at the time. He fulfilled his Selective Service duty to his country by enlisting in the U.S. Army as a private. That obligation (which was called the draft) was a two-year obligation for everyone who voluntarily or involuntarily fulfilled their Selective Service obligation to the U.S. Army.

So, it is not true, as Milken claims, that Gore was given some kind of special shortened tour of duty as an enlistee. If you volunteered as a

tive?

If Huey would look at the good things that have happened in Washington lately she would realize that Clinton-Gore team have been borrowing Republican ideas that have mostly been originated by citizens desires. For example: putting the welfare recipients back to work which started in states with Republican governors, and balancing the federal budget years before Clinton-Gore wanted to.

There are many other Republican supported ideas that have been good for our country that the Democrats borrowed and are presently claiming victories. The two top priorities of the Democratic Party has seemed to be to attack Republicans and taking money from hard working people for programs that the people can better handle themselves at the local level.

Huey should analyze the people who are in the government. They are ordinary people who generally work hard. The people in government power are not necessarily endowed with the magical powers to know what is best for each of us, but many act as if they do. Let's have more control from the people into all levels of government and less of robbing the people of their responsibility to care for themselves.

I hope Huey will study what has been happening in this country for the past 60 years before she writes any more political fantasies for Al Gore, who claims to have invented the Internet.

Al Horton
Chesapeake

regular recruit (i.e. to be trained in the position equivalent with your educational and other qualifications), it was a three-year tour of duty, but that was not the same as entering the Army as an enlistee man merely to fulfill your draft obligation, which is precisely what Gore did.

I know Milken is too young to appreciate how uniquely principled Gore's willingness to fulfill his draft obligation was for any college graduate in 1969, never mind for a graduate with a prestigious degree from Harvard.

While Gore's peers were fleeing to graduate school or using their family's influence to secure the limited slots in the National Guard, he volunteered to share the same burden that hundreds of thousands of young men from middle- and lower-income families were shouldering all across the country.

If it was such a cakewalk to join the U.S. Army and go to Vietnam as the son of powerful father, then why didn't all the other sons of powerful politicians and influential families do the same, rather than hiding out in graduate school or the National Guard?

Milken is equally uninformed when she claims that Gore's service did not put his life in any danger. Just being in-country as an American G.I. in 1969 was very life threatening, or does Milken not realize that entire war was fought in South Vietnam itself, and that the Viet Cong were everywhere?

Perhaps her review of the video tapes of the fall of Saigon not long after Gore's unit pulled out would bring it home to her how very real the

danger our armed forces faced every day everywhere in that war zone.

Even Gore's worst critics would never accuse him of being dumb. Every high-school dropout knew that enlisting in the Army was a sure-fire ticket to Vietnam. Any service boy the Army was preferable if your goal was to avoid landing in the thick of the war itself. Just the sheer numbers of U.S. soldiers killed and wounded alone required constant replacement of troops in 1969.

Milken grudgingly admits that Gore volunteered for the very dangerous assignment to cover the landing of supplies along the DMZ. But she quickly glosses over that brief admission by poking fun at Gore's resourceful building of a far more secure bunker from metal left over from a former aircraft hangar, implying he was over-reacting to the very real danger of his position.

Remember, Gore didn't have to be in Vietnam at all. It certainly could never have been used against his father politically that his son was serving in a Guard unit, as Milken claims. After all, who was going to throw those eggs? Certainly not his political opponents, whose sons, nephews and the sons of their influential friends were there as well.

Al Gore, a young man who deeply believed our intervention in Vietnam was wrong, nonetheless was willing to do his duty to his country when the duty meant risking his life. Actions speak louder than words. And young Al Gore's action in 1969 demonstrates far more principles, and even bravery, than nearly every member of the rich and powerful class from which he came.

Summer's time to swim, baby, swim

This week, by no planning, my summer drowning editorial and column on swimming go hand in hand. And it's not because I just saw "The Perfect Storm" (an excellent movie which I highly recommend).

Rather, my musings are spawned by the fact that I've been around water more in the last couple of weeks than in the past few years combined. The reason? Mitch is getting older and it's time to initiate



Off The Cuff

By Victoria Hecht, editor

him to the joys of swimming.

Ever since he was very small, Evan and I knew our son was a "water baby." He didn't fuss when, as a newborn, he was introduced to baths in his tiny baby tubs. And as he got bigger, he reveled in the splash-splish fun of cleaning up in the big bath tub.

Before he was a year old, Evan and I knew we had to take him swimming to see the reaction.

It was love at first "swim."

One of Evan's coworkers has a great inground pool and asked us to bring the little fellow over for a dip. It being the middle of summer, we gladly took Fred up on his offer.

Of course, we had to do some planning. First we purchased Mitch the cutest red Birdwell-style bathing

trunks we could find. We also invested in a pack of swim diapers so he wouldn't have a water-logged butt.

And we bought swim toys, water wangs and a baby "boat" that makes Evan dizzy blowing it up.

Then we set out on our adventure on a blazing hot day. Mitch was 9 months old and in for a treat.

Once at Fred's house, he looked a little confused as we stripped his clothes off, pulled on a swim diaper and bathing suit and no T-shirt. Then Evan and I plopped the boat in the pool. We slowly eased in the cold water, holding Mitch close.

No crying yet. It was a good sign. As we got in a little deeper, we began to splash. A big smile lit up his face.

Success.

We put him in his boat and "motored" all over the pool playing games of "Catch Mommy" or "Catch Daddy." We knew he was a natural-born water lover. Mitch had a great afternoon and fell into blissful sleep in the car on the way home.

When fall came, we missed hitting the water with our little man.

Several weeks ago, as summer's heat started to sizzle, we visited Evan's grandmother in the mountains. We knew a trip to the lake was in order. It had been nearly a year since he'd felt sand in his toes and paddled in the lapping water. We figured at 20 months old he'd be more adventurous, too.

Sure enough, he was. We had barely hit the sand when Mitch made a beeline for the lake with us in tow. Perhaps we're raising the next Mark Spitz?

Last weekend, my coworker Gerri invited us to a pool party for her daughter Stormy's third birthday. A pool, children, presents and cake? Sounded like the perfect kid mix to

me! It was also the first time this season Mitch would get to go swimming in a pool.

To say our toddler's fearfulness would be an understatement, I don't know whether to be proud of him or worried that he's, well, too fearless. Stormy is the same way. She's a real water baby too.

Evan and I were amazed at how quickly Mitch adapted to the pool. After two minutes in his "boat," he wanted out. He wanted to swim like everyone else, though he hasn't mastered that yet. Hey, he is only 20 months old, after all!

Eventually, he learned that standing on the side and jumping into Mom and Dad's outstretched arms was great fun. Heck, he'll be diving before long. He already loves to go under water.

On July 4th, it seemed natural to hit the beach. This was the ultimate swimming experience, one he'd never had yet. And it was fun when you're akid, nothing can top the sensation of sand between your toes, the saltwater taste in your mouth and your buoyancy in the ocean.

My little boy greeted the small waves with zest, trying to doggie paddle over each one.

I guess it's good that we introduced Mitch to the joys of swimming at an early age. I was a bit older when I finally learned, though not for trying. Ask my mom about all the swimming classes at the Y which I failed.

I think that swimming comes to you naturally at the right time for you. For me, it wasn't until I was around 10. For Mitch, I think it's almost now.

My little tadpole is almost swimming laps around me as it is. I wouldn't mind being the mother of the next Olympic great!

Military no better than one who leads

I wanted to throw up when I saw a Marine Corps lieutenant general perform "a Japanese bow of contrition" to Okinawa Gov. Keiichi Inamine which was featured with 2 1/2 inch



The heal World

By B.J. Sessions, senior columnist

from the Japanese during World War II with the loss of thousands of American lives.

The Okinawans have hated us ever since and want us out of there. There is no reason for us to stay, so we should remove all Americans out of Okinawa. The reason given for all the bowing and sucking-up is because some uniforms dressed in U.S. Marine Corps uniforms have raped or molested several Okinawa children ranging from 12 to 14 years old.

In 1995, three Marines were convicted of kidnapping and raping a 12-year-old Japanese girl there. All of those who were found guilty should be executed before a firing squad. The military has the authority to do that, but the services have become almost as bad as the civilian courts as far as dealing out swift punishment to those who perform the most heinous of crimes. What is more heinous than kidnapping and raping a 12-year-old?

They talk big and sentence the scum bags to long terms, but they are out and back on the streets in a short time. Of course, we have to realize that no organization is any better than its leaders and Bill Clinton is commander in chief of all the armed services.

Clinton has depleted the military to the extent that some branches don't even have enough ammunition to practice shooting. Some service personnel are on food stamps, and morale is at an all time low. The standards for enlistment have been lowered to the extent that those with criminal records are accepted, so what can you expect.

It shouldn't surprise anyone that rapists and murderers have infiltrated the U.S. military. Instead of such outrageous conduct of that Marine who was bowing Japanese style, he should be pushing for the death penalty for those found guilty.

That Marine lieutenant general should be ashamed of himself. It is an affront to all of those brave Marines who lost their lives liberating Okinawa.

Welcome to the real world.

You read it here!

The Virginia Beach Sun

P.O. Box 1327
1024 North Battlefield Blvd.
Chesapeake, Va. 23320
Telephone: (757) 547-4571
(USPS660-140)

Publisher

Hanes Byerly

General Manager

Ron Wilmot

Editorial Supervisor

Jamie Brown

Editor

Victoria Hecht

Office Manager

Gerri Oranger

Advertising

Brandi Cry

Mary Speer

Composition Supervisor

Loretta Lomax

The Virginia Beach Sun is published every Friday by Byerly Publications, Inc., 1000 Armory Drive, Franklin, Virginia 23851. Periodicals postage paid in Franklin, Virginia and additional office locations. Postmaster: Send address changes to 1000 Armory Drive, Franklin, Virginia 23851. Subscription Rates: By mail addresses within 40 miles of Virginia Beach, Va., one year, \$15.95, two years, \$28.95. Virginia and North Carolina, one year, \$17.85, two years, \$29.50. All other states one year, \$24.00, two years, \$38.50. Payable in advance.

Other Byerly Publications newspapers: The Chesapeake Post, The Tidewater News, The Brunswick Times-Gazette, The Independent Messenger, The Dinwiddie Monitor, The Petersburg Monitor.

Virginia Beach tourism pays back big returns

Virginia Beach tourism is a stable, maturing industry that has generated a strong return on the city's overall investment over the past five years, according to a trend analysis released



The Mayor's Report

Mayor Meyer Oberdorf

up the millennium with another record year in 1999, with unprecedented spending in the city by out-of-town visitors — a record \$601 million.

I'm happy to report that the data demonstrates that Virginia Beach's investment in tourism has paid off handsomely for the city with an average return of 61 percent over the past five years and an increase of 5.8 percent over 1998 for a total of 2.6 million out-of-town guests.

On a cash flow basis, the study calculates the average rate of return from the tourism industry to Virginia Beach was 65.2 percent last year. Stated another way, for every dollar spent to market Virginia Beach as a travel destination, the city reaped a return of \$1.65.

"This implies that if the city had invested the money it spent on tourism over the past five years in something other than tourism, it would have had to receive a rate-of-return better than 61 percent to out-perform its return from spending on tourism," said Dr. Gilbert R. Yochum, professor of economics who, together with Dr. Vinod B. Agarwal, chairman and professor of economics, are co-authors of the annual Beach study.

Direct spending from Virginia Beach's tourism industry rose at about 5 percent per year from 1995-1999 for a total increase of 25.63 percent, or \$122.6 million. In 1995, visitors to Virginia Beach spent \$478.4 million; in 1999 that number was \$601 million — an all-time high that generated \$46.1 million in direct city revenue and cost the city \$27.9 million in visitor related expenses, generating a net direct dollar return of \$18.2 million.

Over the past five years, direct city revenues from tourism have risen by \$10.4 million, or 29 percent. Out-of-town visitation increased 32.64 percent over the same five-year period, rising from 1,989,000 in 1995 to 2,638,386 last year. However, because visitation is frequently affected by weather related factors, the study points to visitor spending as a more reliable indicator of industry growth.

"It's not a factor of how many visit, but how much they spend," Yochum said.

Nonetheless, five-year visitation trends also show that Virginia Beach is on track to both increase its overall visitor numbers as well as to realize its goal of becoming a year-round destination.

In 1995, the beach hosted just under two million out-of-town visitors, with 962,924 (48 percent) arriving between Labor Day and Memorial Day. By 1999, marketing efforts to increase spring, fall and winter visitation were paying off: of the 2.6

I'm happy to report that the data demonstrates that Virginia Beach's investment in tourism has paid off handsomely for the city with an average rate of return of 61 percent over the past five years and an increase of 5.8 percent over 1998 for a total of 2.6 million out-of-town guests.

million out-of-town visitors last year — 1,444,007 (\$4.7 percent) arrived during the same period. Number of visitors increased every month from 1995-1999, with December showing the largest rate of increase (99.11 percent), followed by April (86.91 percent).

Tourism spending in Virginia Beach generates significant tax revenues for the city. Of last year's \$46.1 million in direct city revenue from tourism, sales and operating taxes accounted for nearly two thirds — \$31.4 million, of which \$15 million was generated through lodging, \$11.9 million from restaurant meals and \$4.5 million from retail sales.

Although July continues to pose the largest single monthly occupancy (292,900 room nights), visitation from September to May again last year represented more than half (55 percent) of the city's total visitors, 64 percent of room nights and 50 percent of total visitor spending.

Jobs created by Virginia Beach's tourism industry also increased — from 10,845 in 1995 to 11,493 in 1999, for a five-year average of 6 percent. In 1999, region-wide, beach tourism created an additional 5,700 regional jobs and more than \$600 million in additional expenditures were generated regionally from this multiple effect. The study points out that a total of 17,200 jobs and more than \$1.2 billion in expenditures in the Hampton Roads MSA result from Virginia Beach's involvement in tourism, which is nearly half of all the total tourism spending in the Hampton Roads region.

Historically, our visitors are a "drive" market. The variety of natural outdoor and recreational attractions in our city and region continue to not only support visitation but also enhance the quality of life enjoyed by the residents.

The most important element when looking at our past successes and future challenges is to remember that it is people and families like yours and mine who make the decision to visit Virginia Beach and the Greater Hampton Roads area each year. Hospitality and quality customer service is one of the significant reasons why the summer visitors return year after year to Virginia Beach. More than bricks and mortar they like how they are welcomed by our community.

Hats off to a great 1999 and an even greater 2000.

The Department of Convention and Visitor Development contributed to this column.

VBT program wins Award of Excellence

VBT48 has received an "Award of Excellence" from the National School Public Relations (NSPRA) for its "How In The World" program. Since 1935, NSPRA has been providing school communication training and services to school leaders throughout the United States, Canada and the U.S. dependent schools worldwide.

"How In The World" was launched in May of 1999 by the Virginia Beach City Public Schools to offer a wide range of helpful information to the parents of school age children. VBT48 developed the program to answer an important question often asked by parents: Where can I get important information about School Division programs, opportunities and offerings?

The '50s themed, up-tempo program features helpful hints, tips and information designed to assist parents in helping their children prepare for school. Topics in the winning edition included ways to encourage children to exercise, how and when to begin preparation for college admission, summer reading programs and back to school shopping.

NSPRA's mission is to advance education through responsible communication. The contest is open to all public or private schools or districts, including special schools such as vocational-technical institutes; regional or county education service agencies; education agencies; and private businesses serving as partners with those organizations.

Up close and personal

Josephine Mooney: Golf's her game

By Victoria Hecht
Editor

There's a bit of irony in Josephine Mooney's vocation: publisher and managing editor of the year-old *Golf Coast Monthly*.

You guessed it. Until recently, she'd never played golf. Never taken a wood in hand and driven the ball a couple hundred yards. Never experienced the exhilaration of making birdie on a par 4. Never known the frustration of landing her ball in a bunker.

But no more. Since Mooney's magazine has caught on, she's tried her hand — when not tending to all those pesky editing details — at the sport. Now it's just a matter of finding time for it.

A resident of Virginia Beach, Mooney's *Golf Coast Monthly* is the brainchild of some creative thinking and recognizing a golden opportunity. She knew that a Hampton Roads (and beyond) golfing magazine had not yet tapped the market, and quickly acted on her instincts. The result is her glossy, full-color publication with a monthly circulation of 10,000.

"I have an interesting past," said Mooney, whose skills from past jobs and experiences came together in creation of the magazine.

As a young woman, Mooney started out in the garment industry in fashion design, utilizing her bachelor's degree in fine art and design. After getting married in California, the New York native moved back East — to Hampton Roads — and decided to pursue teaching when pregnant with her first child.

For seven years Mooney worked as a Montessori school teacher, which allowed her the opportunity to be with children all the time. In the summers, she led camp, which also let her be with the children.

When Mooney's marriage dissolved, she went back to school to earn a master's degree — working 40 hours a week on campus while attending school and raising two children by herself. She did this for two years.

Mooney got the chance to try her talents in public relations while pursuing a master's degree in professional writing at Old Dominion University. She was hired to fill a newly-created position as division coordinator of information.

"I was charged with bringing all the publications in the division together into one family of publications," she explained. Mooney managed to excel at the job and earn straight A's in her classes.

After graduation, she got a job as director of public relations at the Virginia Beach Center for the Arts (now the Contemporary Art Center of Virginia).

"It was a wonderful place to work. I really enjoyed it. We did the Boardwalk Arts Show as well, which is a huge event. In my second year at the center we added entertainment and made it a festival," she explained.

When Mooney left there, she did public relations for the Virginia International Waterfront Arts Festival, developing a newsletter and sending out press releases.

"I began to like newsletters, because I liked the regular nature of them," said Mooney. "I did the whole thing — development, research, writing, design and layout. Everything. It was very successful," she noted. "I started carving my niche."

Mooney knew she had a talent for the publications, "so I went down to the library and got out some books on publishing my own newsletter. I read about 20 books on it, even though a friend told me I ought to start a magazine. A magazine sounded intimidating, but a newsletter? I knew I could handle that. It was just a question of finding the right niche to make money."

Mooney toyed with the idea of starting a newsletter aimed at the area's fertility treatment industry, but then she had a realization.

"I read about the TPC course opening and all these others that were slated to open around the same time. I wondered what there was in the way of finding out the news about these courses."

It helped that her significant other, Randy, was a golfer.

"I started looking to see what literature was available to tell us what was going on at our golf courses here. There wasn't anything," she said.

Nor could anyone tell her how many courses were in the area, including the Outer Banks and the Peninsula.

"That's when I started thinking in terms of golf," she said.

Mooney was encouraged to start a golfing newsletter by industry experts.

"They told me we really needed it," she said. "I decided if I didn't do something about it soon, someone else would."

And she eventually learned how many courses there were in the area: 84.

"It's amazing," Mooney noted.

She premiered the first issue in June 1999, just in time for the Tournament Players Club opening. And the newsletter format quickly turned into a magazine, complete with columns, equipment reviews and articles by local golfing professionals. There are even articles directed at younger golfers, written by their peers.

"One thing I wanted was really high standards in the magazine — the paper used, everything — because golfers have discriminating tastes," Mooney said.

One of her main goals was to target the magazine to the mainstream player, not the elite.



"Most magazines slant their editorial to the top 5 percent, not the 95 percent of the people out there playing golf," she explained.

The result, Mooney said, is "we've had good fortune and attracted some great contributors."

She's also — finally — taking up the sport as well.

"Everyone always asked me if I played golf, so when I told them I didn't, they were shocked," she smiled.

Mooney is enjoying her newfound love of golf.

"It's great because it's gives me a sense of the game. The reason I had never golfed before was because I thought it was a big 'thinking' game, and I just want to relax. I've also been in three car accidents and have a bad back," she said.

When Mooney learned that golf wasn't as "deep" as she'd thought, and that the game could be therapeutic for her back, she gave it a try.

"And it was great fun!" she admitted. Now, Mooney muses, her work and play have lots in common.

Name: Josephine Angela Therese Mooney.

What brought you to this area: An old lumbdown house on 85th Street.

Hometown: Beechhurst, N.Y. on Long Island. My mom and eight brothers and sisters, along with their spouses, my nieces and nephews, are all still there. It's a beautiful neighborhood, a real family community with big old Victorian houses and lots of beech trees.

Age: 49.

Nickname: Josey (used to spell it Josie, and changed the spelling to "y" to honor a dear departed friend who always spelled it that way).

Occupation: Publisher and managing editor of a monthly regional golf magazine.

Marital Status: Still courting passionately after eight years of living with my significant other.

Children: Katharine Daya Bill, 19. She shines brightly, currently has her first apartment in Charlottesville and works at Monticello in special events. She is pursuing a double major at UVA and plans to be an environmental lawyer.

Thomas Ron Bill, 16. At heart, this boy is why they call it "sweet 16." He is a rising junior at Ocean Lakes High School and working a summer job at Ocean Breeze.

Favorite movies: "Dances With Wolves," "Top Gun" and "Casablanca."

Favorite magazines: *Golf Coast Monthly*, *Virginia Golfer*, *Nature Conservancy*.

Favorite authors: Joseph Campbell and Jim Ducebela.

Favorite night out on the town: Sunset swim and walk on the beach at Sandbridge with my true love, followed by a quick shower and a ride down to Rudee's Inlet to Calcutta's deck for a drink and, if I'm lucky, a

dance or two.

Favorite restaurants: La Chambord and Il Giordano.

Favorite meal and beverage: Any meal prepared by a loved one for me. Cranberry juice.

What most people don't know about me: I'm a real tomboy. I love climbing trees as high as possible.

Best thing about myself: Enthusiasm and energy.

Worst habit: Drinking coffee (I try to keep it to no more than 16 ounces a day).

Pets: A recently-acquired cat, not quite 1 year old, named Jed. His full name is Jared, often referred to as "The Jester."

Hobbies: Gardening, collecting unusual baskets, used to play guitar but never have time (would like to take it up again).

Ideal vacation: Two weeks of walking the trails on a high mountain, laying down under the stars at night on a sleeping bag, swimming in a mountain lake.

Pet peeves: Slackers, lazy people, people who are "bored." I just can't imagine what that would be like.

First job: Working five daschunds for an elderly German woman after school when I was 10 years old. Actually, I didn't walk them. They dragged me around the neighborhood like a team of sled dogs.

Least liked job: When I was 15 I worked in Prusack's Bakery in New York. I had to roll rugelach — a delicious pastry — for hours on end.

Favorite sports team: New York Yankees and Washington Redskins.

Favorite musicians: Steely Dan, Natalie Merchant, Sting and Tracy Chapman.

Most embarrassing moment: When I was 17 and working as a "demonstrator" in a supermarket (demonstrating a rotsense machine), I was asked by a store customer if I would help her out and be the gourmet at her weekly ladies cooking class. The scheduled chef had called in sick. She'd pay me \$50 to teach appetizers. I showed up and it was a disaster. I burned everything to a crisp!

How I would like to be remembered: As one who knew how to let people know how much I loved them.

If I received \$1 million: I'd give half of it to my mom and the other half I'd bank or invest to allow me a year to work on one of the many novels in my head.

If I had 10 minutes on national television: I'd advertise my magazine as a great way to reach a very desirable target audience: the golfers of Hampton Roads.



Excellence awarded

Paul J. Kaplo of Virginia Beach was awarded the 2000 Kranich Prize from Worcester Polytechnic Institute. The honor recognizes students majoring in engineering or science who best exemplify excellence in the humanities and arts and integration of these disciplines. Kaplo is a senior mechanical engineering major and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kaplo. He was awarded the honor by Assistant Provost for Academic Affairs Lance E. Schachterle, left, and William W. Durgin, associate provost for academic affairs.

Summer fun for kids awaits at Back Bay

Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge will be holding several events for children this month:

■ July 17, Creature Crafts. If your child likes to swim like a fish, pretend he's soaring like an eagle or slithering like a snake, bring him to Creature Crafts. Back Bay NWR is hosting an afternoon of wildlife related crafts where kids can draw, color and even make masks of their favorite wildlife animals. They'll come in as kids, but who knows what they'll leave as. Held from noon to 4 p.m. for ages 3 to 10. Parents are welcome to stay.

■ July 18, Going In-Seine. Biologists use a special type of net, called a seine, to catch animals in shallow waters. In this program children get to become the biologist and learn how to use the seine net as we try to catch creatures in the surf. Children should wear sunscreen and shoes and clothes which can get wet. Programs will be held from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. for children ages 6 to 9 and from 2 to 3 p.m. for children 10 to 12.

■ July 20, Fishing Fin-aics.

The sun rises early and so do the fish, so set your alarm clock now. Unpack those tackle boxes, string up those rods, and come out for "Fishing Fin-aics." Back Bay has several sweet spots where the fish will be jumping, the lines will be reeling and your kids will be smiling. All ages welcome, bring your fishing rods. Virginia State fishing regulations apply. Held from 8 to 10 a.m.

■ July 21, Ghosts of the Beach. Other than the birds that are seen walking on the beach or flying overhead, there are many other animals that use the beach but are rarely seen. Children will learn all about ghost crabs and other beach creatures that normally hide from people. Children should wear sunscreen and shoes and clothes which can get wet. Programs will be held from 10 to 11 a.m. for children ages 6 to 9 and from 2 to 3 p.m. for children 10-12.

For more information on any of these programs or directions to the refuge, call 721-2412. Pre-registration is required.

Thursdays at Thoroughgood examine Colonial life

"Thursdays at Thoroughgood" has a busy August schedule. Join guests on Thursdays at 2 p.m. at the Adam Thoroughgood House for special programs that highlight life in 17th-century Virginia.

The programs are included in the regular admission price. (adults \$3.50; senior citizens \$3; students \$2.50; children \$2; members, free);

■ Aug. 3 - "Containing The Past." Before cardboard boxes, there were casks. Before plastic, there were clay or wooden bowls and horn containers. Come back to a time when the perfect "carry-on" was a basket. Learn about containers and how they were used in 17th-century Virginia. When is a barrel not a barrel? When is it a puncheon, hoghead, kilderkin or firkin. The cooper will help you know which is which. Help him put together a bucket. Visit with a basket maker and discover the variety of these multi-purpose containers. Make a clay pot to take home.

■ Aug. 10 - "A Woman's Work Is Never Done" — How did they keep their houses and clothing clean without a vacuum cleaner or a washing machine? Learn about 17th-century housekeeping practices and about the equipment used 300 years ago to help keep things clean. Virginia Beach Historic Houses Administrator, Mark Reed, will be on hand after the program to give you timely tips on how to care for your antiques.

■ Aug. 17 - "Colors, Cures, Flavors and Scents" - The 17th-century herb garden provided all of these things. Learn about these miraculous and sometimes mystical plants. Be amazed at how

they were used by the early colonists. Visit the newly-renovated Thoroughgood House Her Garden.

■ Aug. 24 - "A Step in Time" - "Line-dancing" is not new! Join Dance Historian Jennifer McArdle as she takes you back to a time when "threading the needle" had nothing to do with sewing but was the "latest" in dance steps. Be prepared to join in. Learn the importance of dance in 17th-century Virginia.

The Adam Thoroughgood House is operated by the Virginia Beach Historic Houses, Department of Museums and Cultural Arts and is located at 1636 Parish Rd. Call 431-4000.

ACADEMIC HONORS

Sauna Lewinson, Urica Twine and Erin Griffin of Chesapeake and Jennifer Carmen of Virginia Beach received Virginia Women's Institute for Leadership (VWIL) Scholarships from Mary Baldwin College.

Lewinson and Twine are graduates of Great Bridge High School. Griffin is a graduate of Western Branch High School. Carmen is a graduate of Kempsville High School.

Mary Baldwin College offers a wide range of scholarships to students with high academic standing and the potential for further achievement.

Founded in 1842, Mary Baldwin College is a four-year, private, liberal arts college for women in Staunton.

Attention Churches



You now have the opportunity to receive hundreds of dollars in love donations. Please call Lawrence Casket Store

This is all true and real. NO gimmicks. I do mean hundreds of dollars pre-donation. 252-465-8388 757-657-6531 God Bless You

www.casketstoreoutlet.com

Dolphins

Continued From Page 1

She explains that the "clock method" will be used so guests will readily know where to see the dolphins. Twelve o'clock is at the bow, moving around the boat just as a clock's hands would.

With their instructions in place, the crowd is full of questions as the boat leaves harbor.

"Do you know how much it is to rent a Jet Ski?" a woman wonders.

"When will we see the dolphins?" a child excitedly asks. "When can we stand up at the rail?" a boy laments.

Soon, Clark gives the go-ahead. It's OK to get up and mill around the vessel.

Passing fishermen on the rocky embankment of the inlet at the Lighthouse Restaurant, the boat enters open waters. Visitors "ooh" and "aah" at the sight of a parasail gently lifting into the sky.

The boat bobs up and down in the ocean as it cuts through the waves.

"Wow, this is fun!" a young woman remarks. "I feel like I'm at Busch Gardens again!"

Within moments, Clark comes over the loudspeaker.

"Looks like we already have the first sighting," she says.

Seemingly everyone heads for the bow, craning to get a look. Cameras are poised to capture the moment on film.

"You never know where the bottlenose will pop up. When they come up to take a breath, you can see their dorsal fins. That's one of the signs to look for," she encourages.

Parks brings the boat to a stop. It's quiet as 96 pairs of eyes scan the waters for dorsal fins, water from blowholes or the playful splash of a tail fluke.

Clark takes the opportunity to fill everyone in with some dolphin facts.

Typically, more than 300 bottlenoses spend the summer here. They're the most common marine mammals in Virginia. The small-toothed whales (yes, dolphins are actually whales) consume about 15 to 20 pounds of fish per day.

They use sound to locate food, and this special sense is called echolocation. At birth, bottlenose dolphins are about 3-feet long,

can grow to be 11-feet long and weigh 1,000 pounds.

Not to be confused with porpoises, which belong to a different family and prefer Virginia Beach's waters in the winter, they're very playful and active at the surface, as they illustrate on this trip.

"Perhaps one of the reasons people find dolphins so fascinating is their seeming intelligence," says Clark. "They



KEEP AN EYE OUT. Dolphin trip guests scan the waters for tell-tale dorsal fins and blowholes.



FULL OF FACTS. Virginia Marine Science Museum interpreter Karen Clark is full of knowledge about the bottlenose dolphin. The species is quite intelligent and has its own form of communication.



Photos by Victoria Hecox

SCIENTIFIC EXPEDITION. A group from the Williams School in Norfolk took the dolphin trip as part of their summer studies in marine biology.



CAPTIVATING. Bottlenose dolphins play in the waves off the coast of Virginia Beach.

actually have a form of communication. Looks like these two are taking a peek at us — they're checking us out."

She points to a pair lingering just a few yards away.

Cameras fly to faces. "Mom, take a picture of one!" a boy yells.

"Easier said than done," muses Marian Childress, who with husband Gentry are onboard to answer questions for visitors. They have volunteered for the VMMS for three years.

"My wife and I came to Virginia Beach for may summers," explains the former Northern Virginia resident. "When we retired, we decided to move here."

The Childresses are also on the museum's Stranding Team, which rescues and assists sea animals in trouble. The couple had traveled to the Eastern Shore with the team the previous day to release seven turtles rehabilitated by the museum.

The dolphin trips are one of their most enjoyable efforts, allowing the couple to get out on the ocean and interact with visitors. They also learn something new all the time.

"Lots of people don't realize the dolphins are actually small-toothed whales — it's one of the



A CLOSER LOOK. Samantha Adams, 4, examines the dolphin skull held by Virginia Marine Science Museum volunteer Gentry Childress during a dolphin trip on the Miss Virginia Beach.

things we learned," Gentry says. "We're fascinated by dolphins."

After the initial sighting, the *Miss Virginia Beach* continues to cruise the coastline, passing the Cape Henry Lighthouse and other points of interest. One guest even spies a loggerhead turtle bobbing up and down.

As the morning wears on, there are more sightings — a pod (a group of dolphins) here, a pod there. Camera shutters continue to click as guests attempt to capture the moment.

It may seem like lots of the creatures are swimming about to guests, but Capt. Parks has a different take. He has seen many more.

"Not too many," he notes. "Looks like they want their privacy today."

Between sightings, the Childresses mill around with props such as dolphin skulls for guests to examine. Samantha

Adams of Ashboro, N.C., 4, is particularly fascinated.

Mom Tina looks on.

"I love dolphins. We were having breakfast yesterday and our waitress was so knowledgeable and full of information about things to do here. She told us we should check out the dolphin trips," she says.

A group from the Williams School in Norfolk learns something as well.

"My theme for this week is marine biology," says fourth-grade teacher Kelly Plasse, accompanied by 11 students. "The dolphin trips sounded like a good idea. They're having fun, too."

Caitlin Ormsbe, 10, wanted to share some of what she learned. "I learned today when dolphins feed, they get into a circle. Then they go into the center, one at a time, and get a fish. And they eat the fish head first!" she beams.

As the two hours come to an end, it has been a good morning for the dolphin watchers. Leaving the boat, there are lots of smiles and satisfied customers.

A few people even buy keepsake photos of themselves standing beneath a life preserver emblazoned with *Miss Virginia Beach*.

Excursions are offered twice daily on weekdays, departing from Rudee Inlet through Sept. 3 at 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Boats run Saturdays and Sundays at 4:30 p.m.

From Sept. 8 through Oct. 7, boats run Fridays and Saturdays only at 4:30 p.m. All boats depart from the Virginia Beach Fishing Center at Rudee Inlet, about one mile from the Virginia Marine Science Museum.

Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$11 for children 11 and younger. Infants are free. Reservations are required and can be made by calling 437-BOAT.

Due to the popularity of the trips, officials recommend mid-week reservations to ensure availability.

HONORS AND AWARDS

Rountree named to Va. Bankers Assoc. group

Monarch Bank President and CEO William F. Rountree was recently appointed to the Virginia Bankers Association's (VBA) Community Bank Council.

While serving on VBA's council, Rountree and other community bank CEOs from across the state will convene approximately three to four times per year to discuss the needs and wants of smaller community banks from their association, as well as legislative and regulatory concerns, education and training. The appointment was made by Barry Fitzpatrick, VBA president and president and CEO of First Virginia Banks, Inc.

"As a career-long supporter of the VBA, 'Tree' was an excellent choice," says Fitzpatrick. "His vast experience stems from both large state-wide banks as well as smaller institutions. This unique perspective was exactly what we were looking for and will be very helpful to the association."

The Virginia Bankers Association has served as the organized voice for the Commonwealth of



William F. Rountree

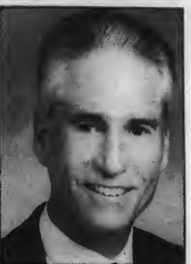
Virginia's banking industry since 1893. Through a unified effort of education, training and legislation, the organization enhances the state's banking industry's ability to compete effectively and profitably in the marketplace.

Beach attorney completes Spanish language program

The Virginia Beach law firm of Colgan and Kimball has announced that its senior partner, Richard J. Colgan, has successfully completed a four-week course of Spanish language study at the Spanish Institute of Puebla in Puebla, Mexico, earning a Certificate of Completion in Spanish, Level 3. Colgan plans to use his improved language skills to serve the Hispanic community in Hampton Roads, a community whose legal needs have historically been under-served.

"My mother was a Cuban immigrant and I have always been interested in the language and culture of Latin America," says Colgan. "I have been listening to Spanish since I was a boy, but in my home we spoke English almost exclusively. This program really challenged me to speak Spanish with native speakers on a daily basis. I now feel better prepared to address the legal needs of the Spanish-speaking community."

Colgan is a trial lawyer who has practiced in Hampton Roads for nearly 20 years. He is a member of



Richard J. Colgan

the Virginia Trial Lawyers Association, the Association of Trial Lawyers of America and the Virginia Beach Bar Association. He is licensed to practice law in Virginia, California and New York. Colgan and Kimball practices in the areas of personal injury, workers' compensation, criminal law, immigration and sports and entertainment law.

Ready for a 'folksy' evening

The Tidewater Friends of Folk Music will present Lut Collins and Dana Robinson in concert Friday, July 21 at 7:30 p.m. at the historic Francis Land House in Virginia Beach, 3131 Virginia Beach Blvd. Reservations are required, call 431-4000. Collins is a contemporary folk singer/songwriter and plays the Appalachian dulcimer, piano and guitar. Robinson's style draws heavily on the roots of traditional American music, yet fits comfortably alongside contemporary sing/songwriters. For more information on Tidewater Friends of Folk Music call, 626-FOLK.

Beach figure skaters in perfect form

The Tidewater Figure Skating Club (TFSC), a member of the United States Figure Skating Association (USFSA), recently held a USFSA test session at ARC IceSports in Chesapeake, Virginia.

Virginia Beach figure skaters joined 35 athletes from across Hampton Roads and participated in a total 85 tests earlier this month. Eighty-four percent of the tests successfully passed.

The USFSA test session was comprised of various "freestyle" (jumps, spins, footwork), "moves-in-the-field" (edgework, patterns) and "dance" (set patterns to set music). Skaters performed their required items in front of three USFSA certified judges from across the nation. These tests allow advancement for area skaters within the association, the governing body of figure skating in the United States which send representatives to the regional, sectional,

national, world and Olympic figure skating events.

Virginia Beach figure skaters passing their tests included:

■ Lauren Appleby, age 14, homeschooled 8th grade, Virginia Beach resident. Appleby passed her Pre-Preliminary Freestyle and three Preliminary Dances (Dutch, Waltz, Canasta Tango and Rhythm Blues).

■ Amy Caldwell, age 32, pre-K teacher at Chesterfield Academy (Norfolk Public Schools) and figure skating coach, Virginia Beach resident. Caldwell passed one Gold Dance (Blues) and her Adult Gold Freestyle.

■ Katie Dungan, age 13, seventh grader at Independence Middle School, Virginia Beach resident. Dungan passed her Pre-Preliminary Moves-in-the-field.

■ Michelle Munley, age 14, eighth grader at Brandon Middle School, Virginia Beach resident. Munley passed her Preliminary

Moves-in-the-field.

■ Deb Perry, age 30, public relations representative and figure skating coach, Virginia Beach resident. Perry passed three Bronze dances (Hickory Hoo-down, Willow Waltz and Tex Fox) and one Pre-Silver Dance (14th Step). She also passed her Pre-Preliminary and Preliminary Moves-in-the-field and Adult Silver Freestyle.

■ Allison Roderick, age 16, sophomore at Princess Anne High School, Virginia Beach resident. Roderick passed her Pre-Juvenile Moves-in-the-field.

■ Sarah Sanchez, age 8, homeschooled third grader, Virginia Beach resident. Sanchez passed two Preliminary Dances (Dutch Waltz and Rhythm Blues) and her Pre-Preliminary Freestyle.

■ Colin Shaw, age 17, junior at Kempsville High School, Virginia Beach resident. Shaw passed all three Pre-Gold Dances (Paso Doble, Kilian and Blues).

■ Katie Truong, age 15, freshman at Ocean Lakes High School; Virginia Beach resident. Truong passed her Pre-Juvenile Moves-in-the-field and two Pre-Silver Dances (14th Step and Fox Trot).

"Testing certifies that a skater has demonstrated a nationally and internationally recognized level of skating competence and determines a skater's competitive level as well," says Kerrie Shaw, president and mother of a local skater. "The club is proud to be able to provide opportunities for local and other USFSA member skaters to benchmark their progress on a regular basis."

The Tidewater Figure Skating Club provides educational opportunities, test sessions, and competitive figure skating. Formed in 1974, the organization hosts over 75 members and is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit group. For more information call, 420-0289.



Park friends rally on Fourth of July

A dozen "Friends of a Park Only at 31st Street" demonstrated their independence last week to save the oceanfront park. They carried signs and wore "Save the 31st Street Park" T-shirts. The protesters are hoping for a reversal of City Council's decision to build a hotel at the site with a smaller park.



New public school personnel take posts, new appointments

The Virginia Beach School Board has recently appointed several current employees, welcomes back one returning employee, and hired a new employee to administrative positions in the school division.

John W. Frossard, has been appointed to the position of principal for the school division's 11th high school, Landstown High School, scheduled to open in the fall of 2001. Frossard is currently superintendent of schools for Chester County School District in Chester, S.C. He has held this position since July 1999.

Prior to his appointment as superintendent of Chester County School District, Frossard served as assistant superintendent of high schools for Virginia Beach City Public Schools. Frossard has 17 years of experience in the field of education—with the past 13 years in school administration.

Taking the helm as Landstown High's first principal, Frossard will be responsible for opening the district's 274,791-square-foot, state-of-the-art structure that will house 2,000 students in grades nine through 12. He earned a bachelor's degree from Virginia Commonwealth University in business administration and management and a master's in instructional applications of microcomputers from George Mason University. His doctorate is in education, administration and supervision from the University of Virginia. Frossard's appointment will be effective July 1.

Layne H. Timlin is the school division's new community relations director responsible for community involvement in public education.

Timlin, who has 20 years of teaching experience with Virginia Beach City Public Schools, will serve in a leadership capacity for the school's division's partnership and volunteer programs and the Virginia Beach Public Schools Education Foundation.

Her prior position as the school division's partnership coordinator, provides her with four years of experience working with various volunteers and partners for the benefit of our schools and community. Timlin earned her bachelor's of science degree in speech pathology/audiology and master's of education from California University of Pennsylvania, California, Pennsylvania.

Mary M. Enwright will assume the position of assistant principal at Ocean Lakes Elementary School after serving 14 years as a classroom teacher, the past 10 years with Virginia Beach City Public Schools. Enwright earned a bachelor's degree in education from State University College at Oswego, N.Y., a master's in education from Old Dominion University and a

doctorate in education from the George Washington University, Washington, D.C.

Kerri L. Albertson is the school division's new partnership coordinator, who will directly be responsible for the school division's volunteer and partnership programs. Albertson taught for seven years with Virginia Beach City Public Schools, has five years experience in the field of public relations, and worked with school partners for Portsmouth City Public Schools. Albertson holds both a bachelor's in elementary education and master's in English from Old Dominion University.

Stephanie A. Enzman joins the school division's office of organizational development as an organization development specialist. Enzman has been a special education teacher for the past six years with Virginia Beach City Public Schools. She holds a bachelor's degree in education from State University of New York at Plattsburgh, N.Y., and master's degree in education from Old Dominion University.

**HELP US
KNOCK THE
COVER OFF ALS!**

MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF PEOPLE WITH ALS

MDA

City's VBGOV.com unveils new look

Virginia Beach Mayor Meyera Oberdorff announced the unveiling of Vbgov.com in her State of the City Address earlier this year. David Sullivan, chief information officer, now announces a new look to the site and innovative design elements which offer easier access to city services and officials.

"The site now supports the concept of e-Neighborhood as a way of organizing the vast amount of information the city offers via the web," Sullivan said.

Vbgov.com can be accessed via the internet at www.vbgov.com. The e-Neighborhoods are designed around the way citizens comprehend government services rather than the way the government is organized to provide those services. Each e-Neighborhood presents a grouping of most frequently used information with links to directly access the information, a listing of phone numbers and e-mail contacts of city agencies within that grouping, and a dynamic calendar of meetings, hearings and other events related to the e-Neighborhood content.

The format features City Council information, general government information and a "Quick Profile" of City Council members. A single "Quick Profile" is presented each time the page is loaded by a citizen with the different council member information randomly selected each time the page is presented.

As part of the new design, Vbgov.com now displays banners to promote government services, events or venues. This strategy helps the customer access less frequently viewed pages so they can see other services, events or venues. Current banners include an electronic form to report a pothole, street light or mosquito problem; Vbfun.com, the city's tourism site; the Virginia Marine Science Museum; program highlights on VBTV, the city's government access cable channel; and Mayor Oberdorff's Special Advisory Commission on e-Government.

The Mayor's Special Advisory Commission on e-Government began meeting in May and continues its work toward identifying and prioritizing new e-Government services based on input from the community. Applications for commission membership were accepted exclusively through the Internet and 11 members were chosen from 65 applicants. As a result of the commission's work, additional services will be added to the Vbgov.com web site as they are selected and developed.

Vbgov.com will ultimately replace the city's existing web site at www.virginia-beach.va.us which averages almost 4,000 user sessions and more than 60,000 hits each day. For more information contact Gwen Cowart, director of information, 427-4205.



UNLOADING LUCY LOGGERHEAD. Stranding Team staff and volunteers unload Lucy Loggerhead. Contrary to what appears to be the case in the photo, Lucy is a loggerhead — not a "box" turtle.

Mixed emotions as turtles released

□ Continued From Page 1

from pneumonia, assorted infections, lacerations and lesions.

During the period of the turtles' convalescence, team members naturally developed an affection for the sea creatures.

When staff veterinarian Dr. Robert George declared the animals had been returned to good health in May, Stranding Team members knew that the day that

they had long hoped for would come soon. Although the turtles were in good health, the release was postponed until water temperatures in the bay reached a comfortable 70 degrees.

"This is a happy day," announced Mark Swingle, who heads the Stranding Team at the Virginia Marine Science Museum. "This is what everybody works for."

Sue Barco, a research scientist at VMSM, had watched the hard-

working, dedicated volunteers nurse the turtles back to health.

"It's a good day!" she said. "Although we have successfully rehabilitated and released other sea turtles in the past, this is really our first big sea turtle release."

Cape Charles was selected as the turtle release site because research has shown that most Kemp's-ridley sea turtles spend their summers on the underwater grass beds of Chesapeake Bay where their preferred food is plentiful — the savory blue crab.

"We wanted to let them go closest to their food source," Barco explained. "Let them stay nice and fat throughout the summer and be ready to migrate in the winter time."

The Chesapeake Bay, according to Barco, has been an important resource for juvenile sea turtles — especially Kemp's-ridleys and loggerheads.

"We have a number of Kemp's-ridley turtles in the bay each summer. They are critically endangered," she said. "And there are probably not much more than a couple of thousand of them here. But that's a good proportion of the population. Most of the turtles here are juveniles."

And it was a happy day for all concerned — for VMSM's Stranding Team, for the public, and especially for the endangered turtles. A crowd of more than 200 tourists and residents applauded and cheered as each of the seven turtles paddled off into deeper water.

It was a day for the Stranding Team to celebrate their biggest success. Seven sea turtles, one threatened loggerhead and six endangered Kemp's-ridleys, were alive and well because of their collaborative efforts.

Yet a close look at the faces of some of the staff and volunteers at the time of the releases revealed signs of emotion. A few quivering lips and some tears were indications of the degree of attachment that team members had developed for their reptilian dependents during their relationship.

Seven sea turtles, one threatened loggerhead and six endangered Kemp's-ridleys, were alive and well because of their collaborative efforts.

ship of more than six months.

Even the turtles — especially Lucy the Loggerhead and Blitzen the Kemp's-ridley — at first appeared reluctant to leave their human companions for the warm waters of the Chesapeake Bay.

With a little encouragement and guidance from their former caretakers, Lucy and Blitzen eventually swam off to the grass beds that should supply them with food until water temperatures drop and they migrate south.

Parting was "such sweet sorrow" for some of the Stranding team volunteers who had developed a special affection for these marine creatures.

Amanda Lee, a volunteer with the VMSM Stranding Team for well over a year, had been closely involved with the rehabilitation of the turtles. Lee was participating in her first release.

"I'm a little bit emotional," said Lee.

"You take care of them for this long and you get attached to them as you would to a dog, but it's great to see them go," she said. "Hopefully, they'll steer clear of boats and nets."

"These Kemp's-ridleys came ashore last winter. They were cold stunned all up and down the East Coast. We got 10 of them originally. We've been rehabilitating these guys for about six months," said volunteer Jackie Daley.

"There are a lot of tears. Not me. But I've seen more than a few teary eyes," she conceded. "I'm glad to see the turtles go. I just want to make sure they go that way (pointing west) and don't wash back up next week."

According to VMSM's Judy Spann, the Stranding Team was formed about 10 years ago to rehabilitate and rescue marine animals along the coasts of Virginia and North Carolina.

During the past year, the team responded to over 240 strandings. Most of the animals found stranded are dead. Live strandings are comparatively rare. The aim has always been to release the animals back into their natural habitat. Over the years, the team has been particularly effective with sea turtle rehabilitation.

"It's a good group of people to work with. They all seem interested in the same thing — trying to help the critters once they get stranded. It's nice to be able to do something like this today — to be able to release the animals," said volunteer Jim Thompson.

"We'll wait for the next batch to come in," he said. "Hopefully, we can be as successful with them as we have been with these guys."

New First Landing Chapel dedication

A dedication service for the new First Landing Chapel is scheduled for 10 a.m. Monday, July 17 at Fort Story.

Near this site the first permanent English settlers in North America first landed on American soil on April 26, 1607. After their circuitous voyage, they planted a wooden cross and thanked God for conducting them safely to Virginia. The chapel is located in the shadow of the nation's first civil works project — the Cape Henry Lighthouse, erected to help voyagers seeking religious freedom reach safe haven in the New World — The First Landing Chapel replaces the old facilities constructed in 1941 at the outbreak of World War II.

The Worship Center and Activity Center, designed by the Norfolk District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, are the central spaces in this 12,314-square-foot facility. Designed with movable walls between the worship and activity centers as well as the classrooms, it allows for flexible seating capacity for 200 to 400 persons. Most importantly, it accommodates the Sunday and Sabbath as well as the other weekly services of a diverse religious community.

The new chapel facilities include individual chaplain offices, class-

rooms, a nursery, a kitchen and common administrative space to meet the needs of the Fort Story Military Community.

In addition to design of the project, the Norfolk District also oversaw the \$2.5 million construction contract which was awarded VIRTEXCO, a firm headquartered in Norfolk with numerous other successful government construction contracts to its credit. The chapel, built with Military Construction Agency (MCA) funds, was completed July 2000.

Participants in the ribbon cutting and dedication service will include Congressman Owen B. Pickett, Second District Virginia; Brig. Gen. William E. Mortensen, commander general, U.S. Army Transportation Center Fort Eustis; Brig. Gen. David H. Hicks, deputy chief of chaplains, Department of the Army; Col. Terry A. Desney, chaplain, U.S. Army Transportation Center Fort Eustis; Lt. Col. Kevin S. Donohue, commander, Fort Story; Lt. Col. Michael Cerone, chaplain, Fort Eustis Chapel; Capt. James Palmer Jr., post chaplain Fort Story; Maj. Darrell Thomsen Jr., former post chaplain, Fort Story; Col. Allen B. Carroll, Norfolk District engineer; and Robert H. Wells, president, VIRTEXCO.



READY FOR RELEASE. A Stranding Team volunteer prepares to release a juvenile Kemp's-ridley as photographers take their best shots.



WRONG WAY, BLITZEN. Before being redirected by human intervention, Blitzen, a 2-year-old Kemp's-ridley turtle, heads for the Cape Charles beach.

Something's brewing at 10th annual Beer Fest

Art & Co., a volunteer fundraising group of the Contemporary Art Center of Virginia, will hold its 10th annual Beer Fest Saturday, July 22 from 7 to 11 p.m. Regarded as one of Hampton Roads' oldest and most popular beer tastings, the event takes place outdoors on the grounds of the Contemporary Art Center of Virginia at 2200 Parks Ave.

A selection of more than 30 international and U.S. specialty beers will be available for tasting. Live contemporary rock music from Hendrix to No Doubt will be provided by Red Headed Step Children. Tickets grant each guest a commemorative cup to

sample a variety of beers and barbecue sandwiches from Malbon's.

Tickets are on sale at the Contemporary Art Center of Virginia or by phone with Visa or MasterCard at 425-0000, ext. 0. Admission is \$30 in advance and \$35 on the day of the event. Tickets for center members are \$25. The event is sponsored by The Coast, 96X, WTAR, WNIS, Mahi Mahi and Huff, Poole and Mahoney, P.C.

Free parking will be available at the Visitors' Center and the Pavilion Center. For more information call 425-0000, ext. 0.

Martial arts demonstration slated in Virginia Beach

Champions from China's renowned Zhezhou Martial Arts Major Institute trained in Shaolin Temple techniques will bring their exciting program, Shaolin Kungfu 2000, to Virginia Beach on July 22.

This performing group is sponsored by the Jow Ga Kung-Fu Association of the USA under the direction of Grandmaster Hoy K. Lee, who teaches in Virginia Beach and Grafton.

The team is led by Master Zhu Tianxi, a gold medalist in World-cup Wushu competition, and includes national and international champions.

The performance will be held 7 p.m. Saturday, July 22 at Landstown Middle School, 2204 Recreation Dr. Tickets are \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door. For information call 898-9097, or check out www.jowga.com/special.event.

LIBRARY
NOTES

■ **It's Been a Great Summer!** Let's Picnic at Pungo-Blackwater Library, Thursday, Aug. 3, 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Join the fun at the Pungo-Blackwater Library (916 Princess Anne Rd.) celebrating the finale of the Summer Reading Program with a luncheon picnic. For the whole family. Bring a bag lunch and your favorite story to share. The library will provide dessert and a drink. Call 426-5194 to register. Participation is limited to 30.

■ **Get Carried Away With Bugs** Storytime at the Windsor Woods Area Library, Wednesday, July 26, 10:30 to 11 a.m. The Windsor Woods Area Library (3612 S. Plaza Trail) presents Bayside Librarian Carolyn Caywood who invites children, ages 5 to 10, to broaden their knowledge of insects and their importance to our environment. Participants will be asked to bring one live creepy crawly (bug) in a secured container as admission to the storytime. Call 340-1043 to register. Participation is limited to 30.

■ **Karate Demo Team at Windsor Woods Area Library**, Saturday, July 29, 2:30 to 3:15 p.m. The Windsor Woods Area Library (3612 S. Plaza Trail) presents the Ryoshin-Kan Karate School's demonstration of Karate-Do, Kobudo and Jiu-Jitsu. Call 340-1043 to register.

■ **Fairy Tale Trunk Show** at Kempsville Area Library, Wednesday, July 26, 7 to 8 p.m. The Kempsville Area Library (832 Kempsville Rd.) presents a Summer Reading Program for the whole family. A trunk full of costumes and props provides the framework for a new spin on fairy tales in an interactive program presented by the Virginia Opera. Call 495-1016 to register. Participation is limited to 150.

■ **Fantasy Trunk Show** at Bayside Area Library, Thursday, July 20, 4 to 5:30 p.m. The Bayside Area Library (936 Independence Blvd.) presents the Virginia Opera with an interactive make-believe workshop for children ages 3 and up. Call 460-7518 to register. Participation is limited to 50.

■ **We All Scream For Ice Cream!** Storytime at Pungo-Blackwater Library, Tuesday, Aug. 1, 2 p.m. The Pungo-Blackwater Library (916 Princess Anne Rd.) presents a storytime program with a special treat for children, ages 3 to 12. Call 426-5194 to register. Participation is limited to 20.

■ **Clowning Around With "Leo the Clown"** at Windsor Woods Area Library, Thursday, Aug. 3, 10:30 to 11:45 a.m. The Windsor Woods Area Library (3612 S. Plaza Trail) presents the "grand finale" of the Summer Reading Program. The whole family can enjoy magic tricks performed by Leo the Clown. Call 340-1043 to register, beginning Monday, July 17. Participation is unlimited.

■ **Counting on Math Demonstration**, Kempsville Area Library, Monday, July 24, 7 to 8 p.m. The Kempsville Area Library (832 Kempsville Rd.) will have a "Counting on Math Demonstration" designed for parents to demonstrate how math can be fun for preschoolers. Pat Sears, Early Childhood Coordinator with the Virginia Beach City Public Schools, and the Kempsville library staff will suggest activities that offer hands-on interactive experiences with math on comparing, matching, sorting, measuring, estimating and more. For adults only. Call 495-1016 to register. Participation is limited to 30.

This activity is
'for the birds'

Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge will be holding two events July 22-23:

■ **July 22, Birding Basics.** Do you like to watch birds, but never learned proper techniques for identifying birds and birdwatching? Basics of bird identification will be taught, as well as how to properly use your binoculars, and what times of day and what locations are best for certain kinds of birds. Then we will go outside and use your new skills. Bring your own binoculars. Held from 7 to 10 a.m.

■ **July 23, Back Bay Wildlife Slide Show.** Visit the Visitor Contact Station for a general overview of Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge. Check out some of the current projects and see a few pictures taken from the refuge's early days, up through the present. Held from 2 to 3 p.m., it's a perfect break to the daytime heat.

The lotuses are gone, but
memories linger on at luncheon
1950s tradition lives on

By Jane Rowe
Correspondent

It takes time, hard work and careful planning to prepare a lunch for 300 people. More than anything else, though, it takes motivation, and in the case of Tabernacle Methodist Church's annual Lotus Luncheon, it's the hopes and the memories that provide the motivation.

Each year since the 1950s, the members of the small church, located at 1265 Sandbridge Road, donate their time and resources to prepare the annual lotus luncheon. This year is no exception. The church members, particularly the ladies, have been busy for weeks planning the traditional menu of ham, chicken salad, home-grown vegetables and homebaked breads for the luncheon, scheduled for Wednesday, July 18 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

They do it to help raise the funds necessary to maintain the church, which was built in 1830, and to fund other projects and missions. They also do it out of respect for a tradition that was established by older church members, most of whom are now dead.

"Here are some pictures of our first chairman," said Sue Foy, who's helping to organize this year's festival, one recent day as she browsed through photo albums stored in a small room at the church. She pointed to fading black and white photograph of Ollie Land and Thelma LaBarre, who were the first festival chairmen.

These ladies, and others who were the driving forces behind organizing the fund-raising luncheons back in the 1950s "are all gone now," added Foy.

"Just about all of these women who used to help with Lotus are gone now," she added.

Gone too, are the Native American Lotuses that used to bloom so profusely in the pond near the church. "I can remember when this whole area was covered with Lotus-

es," Foy said. "They were beautiful."

In those days, the water's surface was covered with the large green pods and, during July, the large yellow flowers gave the pond an almost fairytale quality. The members of Cape Henry Woman's Club, which at that time owned the Lotus Garden, decided that something should be done to celebrate the showy blooms. So, they and the church members organized a 10-day festival, complete with a parade and a Lotus queen, to celebrate the blooms.

Ann Henley, who's now festival chairman, can remember when, as a teenager, she served on the Lotus Court. She rode in the parade along the Oceanfront, then attended an elegant ball held at the Cavalier Hotel.

Henley and others who were around during the 1960s can also tell you about the hard work that went into those festivals. The church ladies served lunch for the public on the shady church lawn each of the 10 days. They would get up early each morning, pick the vegetables from their gardens, shuck the corn, shell the green beans, bake the breads and desserts, and be at church in time to start serving lunch before noon.

The women organized the project and cooked the food, but they found plenty of work for the men and children to do. Henley and the other young girls acted as waitresses, while the boys and men were usually put to work running errands. A lot has changed since the 1950s, however.

The festival is now held for only a day and, for reasons that no one can explain, the lotuses died during the 1970s and 1980s. Some speculate that they died due to increased salinity levels in the water, while others blame disease or runoff from nearby development.

"When the tide's low, you can really see how ugly the bottom is,"



Photos by Jane Rowe

LOTUS LUNCHEON. Sue Foy, who is helping to organize this year's Lotus Luncheon, remembers when the Lotus Garden on Sandbridge Road was "thick with lotuses." The lotuses are gone now, but the annual luncheon will be held Wednesday, July 19 from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

said Foy. These days, a buffer of natural plants is once again growing around the pond's edge, and some water plants are growing and blooming along the water's edge. When the water level's high, as it usually is during the summer when the wind's blowing from the south, the sunshine makes the muddy waters appear almost bright. But a north wind blows the water out of the pond and reveals the silt, discarded tires and other debris that litter the bottom.

The Cape Henry Woman's Club is now in the process of designing the pond to be used, and plans call for the area to be used for recreational and natural area, according to Sara Hensley, director of Parks and Recreation.

"Down the road, we might have plans for a canoe launch area there," she said. She added that she hopes that lotuses will one day grow in the pond.

"I'd like to see that personally," she said. "There are certainly advantages to that in terms of water quality." Environmental groups have unsuccessfully tried to transplant lotuses into the pond have been unsuccessful. Hensley cautioned that before the city attempts to restore the lotuses "we'll have to address the question of whether that water can sustain them."

The church members still prepare annual luncheon, however, with the same traditional menu, prepared from recipes passed down to them by former organizers. And Foy, Henley, and others who are involved in the luncheon know that, while a lot's changed since the 1950s, some things never change. Preparing and serving the lun-

cheon is still a team effort for everyone in the small congregation, Foy said. "Ann, in order to get the cooperation of the whole church, will pass out assignment cards" with recipes that each member is responsible for preparing. She plans how much food she'll need, and she, Foy and others organize the bazaar, held in conjunction with the festival, where church members sell homebaked goods, pickles, jellies and produce. And, like the earlier festival organizers, Henley and Foy still find work for everyone. The church youth work as waitresses and busboys, while the men work as cashiers and help set up the tables and chairs.

The clientele hasn't changed too much over the years, either. "We get a lot of senior citizens and local people," Foy said. "We also get some people from Newport News or Williamsburg, and some of the tourists who are staying down at Sandbridge come."

Last year, the church members made about \$2,500 from the festival, and Foy hopes to at least equal that this year. "We really have high hopes for this church," Foy said. "Our Sunday school program is growing, and we need to expand the classroom space."

She thinks that the festival has acquired a reputation through the years for good food and socialization, and she expects that this year's festival will be as successful as past events have been.

"The reason that we've done so well in the past is because this is really down-home," she said. "People like to be part of a tradition, of something that's bigger than they are."

LEGAL
NOTICESFAMILY COURT FOR THE
STATE OF DELAWARE
NOTICE OF

FAMILY COURT ACTION
TO: Edwin Hudson, Respondent(s)
Petitioner, Elizabeth A. Tataro has filed a dependency neglect custody petition against you in the Family Court of the State of Delaware for New Castle County on 7/7/00. If you do not file an answer with the Family Court within 20 days after publication of this notice, exclusive of the date of publication, as required by statute, this action will be heard in Family Court without further notice.

Date: 7/7/00
Elizabeth Tataro

28-8
117-14

Public Notice

FAMILY COURT FOR THE
STATE OF DELAWARE
NOTICE OF

FAMILY COURT ACTION
TO: Edwin Hudson, Respondent(s)
Petitioner, Florence Barczewski has filed a dependency neglect custody petition against you in the Family Court of the State of Delaware for New Castle County on 7/7/00. If you do not file an answer with the Family Court within 20 days after publication of this notice, exclusive of the date of publication, as required by statute, this action will be heard in Family Court without further notice.

Date: 7/7/00
Florence R. Barczewski

28-7
117-14

Public Notice

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF
5802 West Hastings Arch
Virginia Beach, VA 23462

In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of \$60,000.00 with an annual interest rate of 11.0% dated August 29, 1999, recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, VA in Deed Book 4145 at page 2154, default having been made in the payment of the debt secured and requested by the Note Holder to do so, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer at public auction the property known as 5802 West Hastings Arch and aka Lot 45, Site 3 on that certain plat entitled "Subdivision of Lake Edward West, Section 3 Bayside Borough, Virginia Beach, VA and described in the above Deed of Trust. This sale will take place on Monday, July 31, 2000 at 9:00 a.m. at the front entrance of the Virginia Beach Circuit Courthouse, 2305 Judicial Blvd., Building 10, Virginia Beach, VA. A deposit of 10% will be required of any bidder at the time of sale. Closing within 15 days of sale. Additional terms may be announced at sale.

For information contact: Stephen H. Ashley, Substitute Trustee, 6644 Stony Point South, Norfolk, VA 23502, (757) 461-0664.

28-5
317-28

Public Notice

VIRGINIA: IN THE VIRGINIA BEACH CIRCUIT COURT CLERK'S OFFICE
IN RE: Andrew L. Scott, Plaintiff

Deborah Racks Scott, Defendant
CASE NO. CH00-1808
ORDER OF PUBLICATION
The object of this suit is to obtain a Divorce A Vinculo Matrimonii upon the grounds of a one year separation.

It is ORDERED that Deborah Racks Scott appear and protect her interest, on or before August 17, 2000, which date is no sooner than fifty days after entry of this order of publication.

And it is further ORDERED that this order of publication be published once a week for four successive weeks in Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in this City prescribed by this court.

Date: June 26, 2000
J. CURTIS FRUIT, CLERK
By Valerie B. Hazlip, Deputy Clerk

27-5
417-28

Public Notice

VIRGINIA: IN THE VIRGINIA BEACH CIRCUIT COURT CLERK'S OFFICE
IN RE: Lorenzo Parker, Plaintiff

Gloria B. Parker, Defendant
CASE NO. 98-3540
ORDER OF PUBLICATION
The object of this suit is to ob-

Continued On Page 8



PRETTY AS A PICTURE. The Native American Lotus, pictured in this 1976 photo, used to bloom abundantly in the Lotus Garden across Sandbridge Road from Tabernacle Methodist Church.

Renovations to council
chambers get under way

As part of its Capital Improvement Projects for 2000, the city of Virginia Beach will renovate its 32-year-old City Council Chambers to improve lighting, sound and construction. Renovations and repair will begin on July 15 to take advantage of the two weeks per year when City Council is not in session with anticipated completion by Oct. 31.

The city is executing the renovations and repair due to the condition of the ceiling in council chambers. Over time, the lock spline ceiling tiles have begun to sag and separate.

"As needed, we have reattached individual tiles, but the entire ceiling is beginning to show signs of failure," said David Grochmal, General Services Department director.

Asbestos located above the ceiling complicates replacement of the ceiling and other renovations that are needed. The project will include asbestos removal and installation of a new ceiling.

Other renovations include new light fixtures, drapes, blinds, wall fabric and carpet, repolished

audience seating and refinished wood case work.

"We plan to add a new staff work table with microphones, upgrade the sound system and television cameras and add matching lighting characteristics to the new cameras," Grochmal said.

For the months of August, September and October, City Council and The Planning Commission will meet in the School Board Room in the School Administration Building, 2512 George Mason Drive, Building 6. The Board of Zoning Appeals, the Wetlands Board and the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Board will meet at a former courtroom on the north side of Building 20 in the Municipal Center Complex.

The public is being notified of the changes in location through VBTV, flyers posted in Virginia Beach recreation centers and libraries, the Municipal Center Complex and other public places, and through print advertising. For more information call the Department of General Services, 427-4567.



Luoma graduates Colby

Sean M. Luoma of Virginia Beach, a graduate of Cape Henry Collegiate, was one of 481 seniors who received Bachelor of Science degrees from Colby College in Maine. Retiring President William R. Cotter presented the diploma. Luoma majored in biology.

Continued From Page 7

tain a divorce A Vinculo Matrimonial from the defendant upon the grounds of having lived separate and apart continuously, without cohabitation and without interruption for a period of one year.

It is ORDERED that Gloria B. Parker appear and protect her interest, on or before August 17, 2000, which date is no sooner than fifty days after entry of this order of publication.

And it is further ORDERED that this order of publication be published once a week for four successive weeks in Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in this City prescribed by this court.

Date: June 26, 2000
J. CURTIS FRUIT, CLERK
By Valerie B. Haizlip, Deputy Clerk

27-6
47-28

Public Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF

ESTABLISHMENT OF FEE
On August 8, 2000, in the School Administration Building, 2512 George Mason Drive, Building 6, Municipal Center, Virginia Beach, Virginia, the Virginia Beach City Council will hold a public hearing concerning a proposed ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance to Amend Section 5B of the Site Plan Ordinance by Establishing Required Fees and Procedures Pertaining to Floodplain Variances." If adopted, the proposed ordinance would, among other things, establish a fee in the amount of Four Hundred Sixty-Seven Dollars (\$467.00) for applications for variances from the floodplain regulations set forth in Section 5B of the Site Plan Ordinance of the City of Virginia Beach. The authority for the establishment of such fee is contained in Sections 15.2-2241 and 15.2-2246 of the Virginia Code. The complete ordinance and information concerning the documentation and justification for the proposed fee, is available for examination by the public at the Department of Planning, Operations Building (Building Two), Room 215, 2405 Courthouse Drive, Virginia Beach, Virginia.

Ruth Hodges Smith, MMC
City Clerk

28-4
27-21

Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE OF
1312 Crane Crescent
Virginia Beach, VA 23454
In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of \$81,000.00, from David Gregorio, Beverly I. Reddin, Daniel J. Mayer and Janet R. Mayer, Grantors, dated October 2, 1992, recorded among the land records of the Circuit Court for the CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH on October 7, 1992 in Book 3135 at Page 800, the undersigned appointed Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the main entrance of the Courthouse for the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, 2305 Judicial Blvd., Virginia Beach, Virginia on 08/15/00 at 2:35 P.M., the property with improvements to wit: All that certain lot, piece or parcel of land with the buildings and improvements thereon, situate, lying and being in the City of Virginia Beach, State of Virginia, and being known, numbered and designated as Lot 35, as shown on that certain plat entitled "Subdivision of Redwing, Section Three", which plat is duly recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia in Map Book 170 at Page 4. And described in the above Deed of Trust.

TERMS OF SALE: ALL CASH. A bidder's deposit of 10% of the sale price will be required in cash, certified or cashier's check. Settlement within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Trustees may forfeit deposit. Additional terms to be announced at sale.
Loan Type: CONV.
Trustee's File No.: L62089VIR
Substitute Trustee:
DRAPER & GOLDBERG, PLLC
750 Miller Drive, Suite C-1
Leesburg, Virginia 20175
(703) 777-7101
Email: kellen@draggold.com

28-2
48-4

Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE OF
1705 Harrington Court
Virginia Beach, VA 23464
In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of \$84,051.00, from Sara J. Owens and David L. Owens, Grantors, dated June 30, 1994, recorded among the land records of the Circuit Court for the CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH on July 6, 1994 in Book 3410 at Page 660, the undersigned

appointed Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the main entrance of the Courthouse for the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, 2305 Judicial Blvd., Virginia Beach, Virginia on 08/15/00 at 2:40 P.M., the property with improvements to wit: ALL THAT certain lot, piece or parcel of land with the buildings and improvements thereon, and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, lying, situate and being in the City of Virginia Beach, State of Virginia, and being known, numbered and designated as Lot 15, Site A, Block K, as shown on that certain plat entitled, "Resubdivision of Lots 9 and 10, Block I, Lot 7, Block J, Lots 1, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16, Block K; Lots 8 and 9, Block L, Brandon, Section Six", which said plat is duly recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia in Map Book 128, at Page 53. And described in the above Deed of Trust.

TERMS OF SALE: ALL CASH. A bidder's deposit of 10% of the sale price will be required in cash, certified or cashier's check. Settlement within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Trustees may forfeit deposit. Additional terms to be announced at sale.
Loan Type: CONV.
Trustee's File No.: L62081VIR
Substitute Trustee:
DRAPER & GOLDBERG, PLLC
750 Miller Drive, Suite C-1
Leesburg, Virginia 20175
(703) 777-7101
Email: kellen@draggold.com

28-1
48-4

Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE OF
5593 New Colony Drive
Virginia Beach, VA 23464
In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of \$84,850.00, from Donald W. Smith and Paula Smith, Grantors, dated August 11, 1998, recorded among the land records of the Circuit Court for the CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH on August 12, 1998 in Book 3934 at Page 1265, the undersigned appointed Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the main entrance of the Courthouse for the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, 2305 Judicial Blvd., Virginia Beach, Virginia on 08/15/00 at 2:55 P.M., the property with improvements to wit: ALL THAT certain lot, piece or parcel of land, with its appurtenances, situate in the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, and being known, numbered and designated as LOT 5E, 5 Block "A", as shown on that certain plat entitled "JAMESTOWNE OF WHITEHORST LANDING, SECTION ONE", duly recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia in Map Book 90, at Page 31. IT BEING the same property conveyed to the Grantors herein by deed from Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, dated June 24, 1998 and intended to be recorded simultaneously herewith. And described in the above Deed of Trust.

TERMS OF SALE: ALL CASH. A bidder's deposit of 10% of the sale price will be required in cash, certified or cashier's check. Settlement within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Trustees may forfeit deposit. Additional terms to be announced at sale.
Loan Type: FHA.
Trustee's File No.: L62180VIR
Substitute Trustee:
DRAPER & GOLDBERG, PLLC
750 Miller Drive, Suite C-1
Leesburg, Virginia 20175
(703) 777-7101
Email: kellen@draggold.com

28-6
27-21

Public Notice

TRUSTEE'S SALE
1948 Sydenham Trail
Virginia Beach, VA

IN EXECUTION OF Deed of Trust made by Lloyd B. Renwick, dated August 20, 1997, recorded in Virginia Beach Circuit Court Clerk's Office in Deed Book 3783, at page 356, securing Note in original principal amount of \$30,000.00, default having been made in payment of debt thereby secured, and in request of beneficiary thereunder, the undersigned Substitute Trustee, will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, at the front door of Virginia Beach Circuit Court, 2401 Courthouse Boulevard, Virginia Beach, Virginia, on July 17, 2000, at 2:00 p.m., the property conveyed in said Deed of Trust and briefly described as:

All of Lot 7, in Block A, as shown on that certain plat entitled, Subdivision of Rosemont Forest, Section 10, Part 3, Kempsville

Borough, Virginia Beach, Virginia, which said plat is duly recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Map Book 187, Page 12.

EXPRESSLY SUBJECT to that deed of trust to Navy Federal Credit Union recorded in Book 3187, Page 1564, in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia.

TERMS OF SALE: CASH. Property is being sold "AS IS", without any representations or warranties, SUBJECT to the rights of any person in possession and to all covenants, conditions, restrictions, easements, debts, encumbrances, adverse claims, or liens, whether filed or inchoate, which have priority over the Deed of Trust.

Deposit of 10% cash, certified or cashier's check, will be required of successful bidder immediately after sale; settlement must be within 10 days from date of sale. **TIME BEING OF THE ESSENCE**, or property to be resold at cost to defaulting purchaser, and Trustee shall be entitled to recover from defaulting purchaser any deficiency resulting from sale. All costs of conveying, examination of title, recording and settlement charges, grantor's taxes, etc. to be at cost of purchaser. Notwithstanding the right to bid and trustee reserves right to reject any bids, keep bidding open for any length of time, and make deposit requirements, extend time for settlement, and announce additional terms of sale.

HEILIG, MCKENRY, FRAM & LOLLAR, P.C. Substitute Trustee

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:
Sandra Southern
700 Newtown Road, Suite 15
Norfolk, Virginia 23502
(757) 461-2500

27-7
27-14

Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE OF
161 Waverly Drive
Virginia Beach, VA 23452

In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of \$72,250.00, from Larry C. Smith and Sherri Smith, Grantors, dated June 10, 1999, recorded among the land records of the Circuit Court for the CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH on June 17, 1999 in Book 4097 at Page 1648, the undersigned appointed Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the main entrance of the Courthouse for the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, 2305 Judicial Blvd., Virginia Beach, Virginia on 08/01/00 at 2:10 P.M., the property with improvements to wit: ALL THAT certain lot, piece or parcel of land, lying situate and being in Lynnhaven Borough (formerly Lynnhaven Magisterial District), Virginia Beach, Virginia, designated upon that certain plat made by C.A. Bamford, Surveyor, dated April 22, 1952, entitled "Westmoreland Estates, Section 1", which plat is recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Map Book 32, at Page 3 as Lot Numbered Thirty-Six (36); reference to which plat is hereby made for a more particular description of said lot. IT BEING the same property conveyed upon Larry C. Smith and Sherri Smith, his wife, by Deed of Gift from Larry C. Smith and Sherri Smith, his wife, dated June 9, 1999, and to be recorded immediately prior hereto and simultaneously herewith as part of one transaction. And described in the above Deed of Trust.

TERMS OF SALE: ALL CASH. A bidder's deposit of 10% of the sale price will be required in cash, certified or cashier's check. Settlement within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Trustees may forfeit deposit. Additional terms to be announced at sale.

Loan Type: CONV.
Trustee's File No.: L61991VIR
Substitute Trustee:
DRAPER & GOLDBERG, PLLC
750 Miller Drive, Suite C-1
Leesburg, Virginia 20175
(703) 777-7101
Email: kellen@draggold.com

27-4
27-14

Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE
1574 Janssen Drive
Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Sanford F. Fuller and Tina A. Fuller dated September 27, 1993 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3279, page 1119, securing a loan which was originally \$63,006.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at

public auction at the front steps of the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia, on July 21, 2000 at 8:02 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot 35 in Block A as shown on that certain plat entitled "Indian Lakes Section J-2, Part 2". Tax Map #1465-75-5734-0000.

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Notwithstanding the right to bid at the said sale.

TERMS: CASH. A bidder's deposit of \$5,800.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be announced at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum or contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

This notice is an attempt to collect on a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Loan Type: FHA.

NP007264

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:

Between 8 - 11 AM
Nectar Projects, Inc.
Substitute Trustee
751 Miller Drive, Suite G1
Leesburg, Virginia 20175
(703) 777-8619

27-3
27-14

Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE
1094 Whales Run Court
Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Nicholas G. Ference dated November 11, 1998 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3981, page 769, securing a loan which was originally \$31,040.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the front steps of the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on July 28, 2000 at 8:00 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot No. 117, in Court No. 13, Section C-A and W-1. Tax Map #2416-60-2320-0000.
The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Notwithstanding the right to bid at the said sale.

TERMS: CASH. A bidder's deposit of \$3,000.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be announced at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum or contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

This notice is an attempt to collect on a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Loan Type: FHA.

NP007261

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:

Between 8 - 11 AM
Nectar Projects, Inc.
Substitute Trustee
751 Miller Drive, Suite G1
Leesburg, Virginia 20175
(703) 777-8619

27-2
27-14

Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE
1098 Piney Marsh Court
Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Dana M. Martin and Brenda L. Deems dated January 17, 1996 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3577, page 944 and re-recorded in Deed Book 3636, page 2069, securing a loan which was originally \$65,400.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the front steps of the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on July 21, 2000 at 8:00 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot No. 118, in Court No. 15,

Section One. Tax Map #24166025340000.

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Notwithstanding the right to bid at the said sale.

TERMS: CASH. A bidder's deposit of \$4,300.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be announced at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum or contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

This notice is an attempt to collect on a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Loan Type: FHA.

NP007221

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:

Between 8 - 11 AM
Nectar Projects, Inc.
Substitute Trustee
751 Miller Drive, Suite G1
Leesburg, Virginia 20175
(703) 777-8619

27-1
27-14

Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE OF
313 Steeple Lane
Virginia Beach, VA 23452

In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of \$78,500.00, from Joyce G. Hart and Shauna P. Cabarras, Grantors, dated May 4, 1993, recorded among the land records of the Circuit Court for the CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH on May 10, 1993 in Book 3213 at Page 1927, the undersigned

appointed Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the main entrance of the Courthouse for the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, 2305 Judicial Blvd., Virginia Beach, Virginia on 07/18/00 at 2:00 P.M., the property with improvements to wit: All that certain lot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon, situate, lying and being in the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, being known, numbered, and designated as Lot 7, in Block A, as shown on that certain plat entitled: "Resubdivision Plat of Block A, Section One, Thalia Wayside Townhomes Kempville Borough, Virginia Beach, VA," which plat is recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Map Book 184 at Page 30. This is the same property which was conveyed by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to Joyce G. Hart and Shauna P. Cabarras by deed of even date and to be recorded herewith. And described in the above Deed of Trust.

TERMS OF SALE: ALL CASH. A bidder's deposit of 10% of the sale price will be required in cash, certified or cashier's check. Settlement within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Trustees may forfeit deposit. Additional terms to be announced at sale.
Loan Type: CONV.
Trustee's File No.: L61025VIR
Substitute Trustee:
DRAPER & GOLDBERG, PLLC
750 Miller Drive, Suite C-1
Leesburg, Virginia 20175
(703) 777-7101
Email: kellen@draggold.com

25-1
47-14

CLASSIFIEDS

ADOPTIONS

ADOPT
Doctor David and Stacy-Home Mom can provide love, laughter and security for your baby. Irene & Steve, 800-343-9343.

07/28

ADOPTION - EMPTY NURSERY
ready & waiting for baby. Hearts open & full of love. We promise to cherish your baby. Call Deb & Dave, 888-272-2229.

07/28

PREGNANT? Baby's room is ready and parents are praying every day for their baby and birth mother. Call Angela and Larry, Toll Free at The Link, 888-272-2229.

07/21R

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOOKING FOR RELATIVES of Joseph Lee Henson. Contact Mary Jackson at (570) 321-9810.

08/04

SURROGATE MOTHERS WANTED! Fee and expenses to carry a couple's child. Must be 18-35 and previously had a child. STEVEN LITZ, ATTORNEY, (317) 996-2000.

07/28R

PARTY MAGIC
Inside 1001 Mart
2981 So. Military Hwy. Ches.
Balloons, Invitations,
Party Supplies, Wedding/
Party Planning.
50% off.

09/08R

APPLIANCES

4 ACs, \$100 & up. Washer, Dryer, Refrig. & Stove. Make offer. CALL 588-7268.

08/18

ARTICLES FOR SALE

2 SETS / GOLF CLUBS
1 set antique. \$800 obs.
Large Dog Pen - Assembled
fence w/ igloo dog house. \$200.
638-3171

07/21

BOATS / RIGS

'89 SUNBIRD 17' hp, V6, OMC outdrives w/ trailer. \$3,000. Call 382-9949.

07/21

1988 SEA RAY 39' EXPRESS CRUISER - Pristine, all services upgraded '99. \$86,900 neg. Trades considered. Call Jeff, 930-8524/838-2323/285-0878.

1995 - 23' CENTURY CTR. CONSOLE, 225 Yamaha, low hrs. (2) GPS's, Citix deck finder, (2) live wells, trailer, 100 gal. fuel, 100 w/ sides, outriggers, loaded - must see!

BOATS / RIGS

\$22,500. 399-5744, 554-4474.
07/14

2000-24 ROBALO CENTER CONSOLE - Awesome fishing machine. Must sell. Twin 200 Mercury Optimax, 60's, 60 mph. Loaded w/ electronics. Full functioning head. Will e-mail picture upon request. Paid \$70,000. Asking \$60,000 or best reasonable offer. Includes trailer. (919) 575-4812. e-mail: edm2774@aol.com

25-1
47-14

BUILDING MATERIALS

TWO STEEL BUILDINGS, Engineer Certified. 40x40 was \$6,890, now \$4,580. 50x100 was \$17,940, now \$11,935. MUST SELL, CAN DELIVER. 800-292-0111.

07/21

STEEL BUILDINGS
FACTORY DISCOUNTS ON
30X40 THROUGH 100X200.
SAVE THOUSANDS.
S.W. HOWELL CONST.
(757) 426-5146

07/14

CLASSES / SCHOOLS

School & Instruction
EARN \$850 / WEEK
AFTER TRAINING
ENJOY A CAREER AS A
PROFESSIONAL DRIVER WITH
M.S. CARRIERS. WE OFFER
TRAINING THROUGH OUR
NEW:
M.S. CARRIERS
PROFESSIONAL DRIVING
ACADEMY - ASHLEY, PA.
GUARANTEED HOMETIME
GUARANTEED MINIMUM PAY
WITH A TRAINER!
INTEREST FREE LOAN
800-231-5208
M.S. CARRIERS
EOE

07/28R

COMPUTER EQUIPMENT

K6 II 500 MHZ, 10gb HD, 64 mb RAM, 56k modem, 50x CD ROM sound, KB mouse. \$475. Call 635-2684.

07/21

FLEA MARKETS/BAZAARS

GEORGE WASHINGTON MINI MAL
PRODUCE VENDORS WANTED
for summer months.
Spaces for rent.
Fashion, Beauty Supplies,
Furniture, Silk Flowers, etc.
397-7702

07/28

HELP WANTED

\$14 - \$22 / HR
Answering phones from home.
Free details.
Call 877-437-5544, ext. 854
08/04

CITY COUNCIL UPDATE

Council leave door open for Super Hornets move into Oceana

□ Continued From Page 1

telling the Navy "what we want them to consider — that an outlying field be part of a scoping study. The Navy will have a public meeting on July 25 at the Strawbridge Elementary School from 4 to 9 p.m. although council will be on vacation the last two weeks in July.

A similar meeting will be held at the Buns Road Intermediate School on July 26 for Chesapeake residents where citizens have complained about noise as the planes from Oceana simulate aircraft carrier landings at the Fenestration station.

Assistant to the City Manager Robert Matthias said that he would work with staff to compile the areas that the city wants addressed such as air quality, water quality, noise and roads. He said that the comments will be closed by the Navy on Sept. 8 so that the last opportunity for council to consider its comments would be the last meeting in August.

The dilemma for most council members was a hesitancy to risk losing Oceana and the Oceana community, which has been a part of the Virginia Beach community for so long and at the same time protect the interests of the other citizens.

The Navy has expressed a preference for Oceana. Three other locations are being considered: Beaufort, N.C., Meridian, Miss. and Cherry Point, N.C.

Councilmembers as well as citizens complained that the Navy has not supplied any information. The reason given was the ongoing litigation which was brought by the Citizens Concerned About Jet Noise (CCAJN).

Matthias said that the F-14s here now will slowly be transitioned into the super Hornets.

Matthias said that he could not emphasize enough the impact on the economy of Virginia Beach attributable to Oceana — approximately \$1.2 billion. The impact is larger than the impact of the Ford plant in Norfolk. He said that the Navy will spend \$2 million for a study on an outlying field.

Matthias said that he also could not overestimate the influence of Sen. Lou in Congress — the senator would like to see the planes in Mississippi.

Matthias also pointed out that the Navy has already completed its first hush house which should have some impact on the noise.

Matthias said that with the F-14s leaving, there would actually be one-third fewer planes. J.P. Dadson, military liaison and a retired Navy captain, said that unless the super Hornets are stationed at Oceana, it is unlikely that the Navy will put money into sound mitigation here.

Mayor Meyera Oberndorf said that the reason she asked for the resolution was to have the opportunity to be able to bring the issue into a public setting. She said that action was not meant to be devious or mean. She said that she needed to know where council stood before she could speak out. Hal Levinson claimed that the press wouldn't have known about the hearing if he had not informed them. He said that the purpose of the resolution was to ram it down the people's throats.

Rear Adm. Fred R. Metz, USN retired, said that the Navy is using lawyers who have instructed their clients not to say anything. Therefore the silence and lack of dialogue Henley complained about. He also said that because the Navy wants Oceana, doesn't mean that the planes will be here. He said the decision is a political one.

Museum wins wide support for expansion except from PETA

By Lee Cahill
City Council Reporter

The Virginia Marine Science Museum apparently has wide support for its expansion — the third phase — from local citizens and civic leaders as well as people from the surrounding area and statewide, except for People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA).

A large aquarium, which will house dolphins as well as other species, will be the centerpiece of the third phase, and that's where PETA and the museum part company. PETA maintains that it would be cruel to the dolphins to keep them in captivity.

Mac Rawls, who has directed the museum since its development, at the invitation of City Council, brought a team of consultants on the third phase with him to the council meeting Tuesday night. They addressed the building, the dolphins, other museums and the economic benefits of the aquarium.

Numerous citizens spoke in favor of the expansion.

But Bill Neely, public relations officer for PETA, reminded council that PETA has 700,000 members of like mind, ready to support PETA's view of the aquarium. On Memorial Day, PETA members paraded outside of the museum in protest against the expansion.

Councilman Linwood Branch III asked why the zoo in Norfolk where, so they have to choose, he and assured council that Virginia Beach will become the focal point of the cruelty to animals debate nationwide.

Neely said they did not have enough resources to be everywhere, so they have to choose and he assured council that Virginia Beach will become the focal point of the cruelty to animals debate nationwide.

Neely also complained that the Tuesday session was not a true public hearing — it was listed under presentations. He said there was a whole wealth of opposition out there. He said that he was told as late as 4:30 p.m. Monday by city staff that it was not a public hearing.

He also complained that the data in the reports were taken from other aquariums, some of which are open all year, while the Virginia Beach museum relies on a few months of summer, he said.

Neely also said that the museum also will have to be changed to aquarium to retain its focus on its conservation programs. Mayor

Meyera Oberndorf said that the only reference she had heard to a name change was because a museum is perceived as not having live exhibits.

It's risky, Neely said, to spend \$40 million on the basis of the data cited.

Vice Mayor William D. Sessions Jr. asked, with the history of the museum as being more helpful to dolphins, "Do you really believe that they would hurt them?"

"We believe that," said Neely. Councilwoman Nancy Parker, who with W.W. Harrison Jr. are council liaisons for the museum, said that she needed more documentation on specifics referred to on PETA's web site.

Oberndorf wanted to know PETA's record for rescuing wild animals from harm, like the penguins in South Africa.

Neely cited rescue of cats, dogs and guinea pigs. "We do what we can when we can," he said. He said what PETA does is expand the treatment people give their pets to all animals.

Harrison said that the city has brought people from across the country for information and that he hoped PETA would supply the same kind of information.

Neely accused Harrison of already making up his mind and Harrison agreed.

Councilman Margaret Euse said that one thing she didn't do is put blood on dolls and give them to children, referring to a public relations tactic used by PETA.

The expansion will include a four-level structure of approximately 100,000 square feet, constructed primarily of glass and steel. The focal exhibit will consist of a 1.6 million gallon marine aquarium which will contain bottlenose dolphins, harbor seals and pelagic species of fish.

The expansion is expected to make the museum one of the foremost facilities in the United States in terms of public education, academic research and rehabilitative treatment of Atlantic bottlenose dolphins and other marine animals. It will be 100,000 square feet and seven stories tall and include a natural habitat exhibit nearly as long as a football field.

Peter Sollogub, principal of Chermayeff, Sollogub and Poole, which has designed six of the 10 aquariums in the world, said the aquarium will hold 1,600,000 gallons of water and a tank 130 feet in length and 40 feet deep.

The project will be culminated in the stranding facility which

The project has been endorsed by the Hampton Roads Partnership and its president Bill Boilen said that \$2.5 million has already been received.

will be designed as a pavilion. At night the edifice will glow like a lantern, he said. He said that in 1998 the cost goal was \$40 million and two years later, the estimated cost of \$42,626,439. He said the aquarium in Chantanooga was built for \$350 a square foot, while this will be built at less than \$300 a square foot.

Everyone with a similar project has exceeded expectations, he said. This aquarium, he said, will set the bar higher and allow the animals to be themselves.

Mark Swingle, project coordinator for the museum, said that the museum mission will be expanded, that the aquarium will have 30 species of marine life, science exhibits and the stranding center. During the last decade, he said, the museum has handled 1,500 strandings.

He said that the stranding program is non-revenue producing, but is an integral part of the mission.

He said that the bottlenose dolphin is the most common in the area and is the most successfully maintained.

Dolphins will come from other institutions and not from the wild.

Dr. Brian Joseph, chief veterinarian and general curator of the Point Defiance Zoo and Aquarium, said that he had worked with over 1,000 stranded animals and according to a study, the dolphins in institutions live as long as or longer than those in the wild.

Jack Haezler, senior associate with Economics Research Associates, said that the museum can expect an attendance of 85,000 to 1,161,000. The visitors will come from Hampton Roads (25 percent); other places in Virginia (15 percent) and outside of Virginia (60 percent).

The economic impact annually on Virginia Beach should be \$72.2 million, on other Hampton Roads cities, \$38.1 million and elsewhere in the commonwealth, \$10.4 million.

The impact of the construction should be \$65.3 million for Vir-

ginia Beach; \$12.9 million for Hampton Roads, and \$12 million for the Commonwealth. Annual tax revenues for Virginia Beach are anticipated at \$2.9 million; for Hampton Roads, \$1.3 million and on the commonwealth, \$3.7 million.

Rawls said that in many projects, the budgets have tended to exceed estimates. This has not, Branch learned that there were no other stranding facilities in the mid-Atlantic region.

Oberndorf learned that dolphins don't commit suicide by banging their heads on the sides of the tanks, but they may be terminal and run into things.

She also learned that the mean age of a dolphin is 15 1/2 years, but that half die in their first year.

And in answer to a question from Mandigo, Rawls said that Branch is exploring possibilities of teaming up with area universities.

The project has been endorsed by the Hampton Roads Partnership and its president Bill Boilen said that \$2.5 million has already been received as a gift.

A goal for private sector contributions has been set at \$10 million.

Morris Fine, a past president of the museum board, said that the community has been involved beyond any other project in Virginia Beach. He said that his duty has been to go to the legislature to get help and he and others, like Clancy Holland, have been successful in raising more money for the project. He said that though no plan was available at the time. He said the project has been funded way out of proportion of any in the state. Other speakers said that the expansion will make the museum a world class facility, a magnet for other significant projects and will have a positive impact on regional cooperation.

Making up a good percentage of the audience, doents supported the project. John Sheppard said the doents came from a cross section of the community. He also said that visitors often ask where the dolphins are.

Caroline Lincoln representing the Virginia Beach Council of Civic Organizations, said the museum has a wonderful program that can benefit the entire city. She said that the expansion should not be waylaid by the lack of money or other projects.

One Portsmouth woman said that PETA did not come out to help her when she needed help when a dog was shot on a golf course.

New tool comes to fight city blight

By Lee Cahill
City Council Reporter

City Council has agreed to consider an ordinance which would provide the city with another tool to fight spot blight in the city.

With the ordinance the city will take advantage of a law passed in 1995 by the State of Virginia that provides localities with the authority to repair or demolish blighted properties and to acquire them through eminent domain if the own fails to cure the blight.

Andrew M. Friedman, director of the Department of Housing and Neighborhood Preservation, told council at a workshop Tuesday that the number of structures that would be affected would be few, approximately six a year.

He said that the council would be asked to consider action to acquire them through eminent domain on the properties on a parcel by parcel basis.

Using its present tools, the city has been able to enforce its zoning code in most of the cases, but some property owners fail to comply and cannot be prosecuted under current legal means because they are out of state. Others are marginally compliant.

Friedman said that the city is concerned about the impact on the neighborhood. Friedman said the "Spot Blight Law" is used in Norfolk and Fairfax County.

Under the law, the city would have the authority to repair or demolish the blighted property, with the cost paid by the owner, or to acquire the property by using the power of eminent domain.

To be declared blighted, a property must meet at least one

of the criteria — vacant or boarded up at least three months; subject to documented complaints from code enforcement actions; no longer being maintained for useful occupancy; dilapidated or lacks normal maintenance and upkeep, or has been the subject of nuisance abatement actions undertaken by the city.

The owner would be given 30 days to eliminate the blight before further action is taken under the blight law.

The law can be applied to residential or commercial property.

Friedman said that once the city notifies an owner by letter, he or she usually fixes the problem.

Friedman cited the case of Princess Anne Plaza Apartments which are professionally managed and where the owner has made a significant investment. Unfortunately, some of the nearby townhomes are not maintained despite "every city action we can think of." He said that grants are available to owners unable to pay for repairs. The three vacant townhomes in the neighborhood present a perception that the neighborhood is bad, Friedman said.

If the city improves the property, a lien can be put on the property, but Friedman said that the city would not recover all costs. He said also that demolishing a townhome would not be feasible because it is connected to other buildings.

Councilman Robert C. Mandigo Jr. said that while he did not object to the ordinance, he believed it would be controversial.

Stumpy Lake sale takes yet another turn at Beach

By Lee Cahill
City Council Reporter

In a move to preserve Stumpy Lake and its surrounding 1,400 acres from development no matter who owns the land, City Council Tuesday unanimously adopted a resolution affirming preservation zoning, the city's most restrictive zoning classification, over the property.

Although Norfolk owns the property, it is located in Virginia Beach with a smaller portion in Chesapeake.

The Virginia Beach action followed a one-hour executive session on the issue early in the afternoon and prior to the Norfolk City Council meeting when the Norfolk City Council decided to move ahead with the sale of the 1,400 acres to developer Eddie Garcia, of Transamerica Services, Inc. with whom the city had a contract.

Garcia intends to build homes, a retirement community and a second golf course — one is already on the property — around the lake. Norfolk is expected to make a decision on whether it will sell the lake within a week.

With the zoning from Virginia Beach, however, Garcia will not be able to go ahead with his project.

Garcia has five days to tell the city whether he wants to go ahead with the deal by which Garcia will pay the city \$6 million up front and as much as \$8 million more if the development proceeds. If the lake is included, Garcia would pay the city another

\$3 million.

Virginia Beach, which missed a chance to purchase the property earlier, has offered Norfolk \$9.1 million for the land and lake.

The issue has become extremely controversial with environmentalists campaigning to avoid development of the property.

The Beach resolution states that the lake and surrounding land are one of the most significant and valuable natural heritage areas in the city and South-eastern Virginia and a portion is designated in the comprehensive plan as a natural resource/conservation and the remainder open space/parkland.

The resolution also states that any significant development would require a rezoning of the property. The Garcia contract names single-family and multiple-family residential units and units with a density of a minimum of 5600 buildable single-family residential lots of 15,000 square feet or less and 450 multiple-family units for a retirement community.

The resolution states that the lake and surrounding land should be perpetually protected from development which is incompatible with the aforesaid provisions of the comprehensive plan. The resolution reaffirms the importance of Stumpy Lake as a natural heritage area, the protection and preservation of which is vital to the city and the entire region.

The resolution was read in the formal session of council and voted on without comment.

Outdoors plan gets \$144 million estimate

□ Continued From Page 1

and recreational needs for future development with other city agencies and developers.

■ Purchase of development rights and easements, similar to the agriculture reserve program. Pursue state, federal and other grants.

■ Reprioritize the existing capital improvement program especially when projects are integrated with other capital costs.

■ Endowments and 501(c)3 tax status, the dedication of lands for tax benefits.

Frankenfield said that the public strongly supported a designated recreation open space, parks and recreation with citizen oversight. The fund should have a sunset clause and a specific revenue sources such as revenues from a public/private project, existing taxes, new tax revenues or other as yet to be determined sources.

The report details the amount of land that should be acquired and the uses to which the land would be put in the various planning areas — Bayfront, Bayside, Great Neck, Little Neck, Oceanfront, Courthouse, Holland, Kempsville and the southern section Pungo/Blackwater.

The southern section, since it is mostly agricultural and open space has been preserved by the agriculture reserve program, does not have a high need for land acquisition. The public, however, had indicated a high interest in the development of multi-purpose

shared trail systems for use by equestrians, bicyclists and hikers.

Councilwoman Reba McClan said that she was concerned with tree preservation but the need to replace trees which have been removed. She said the city needs to get a better handle on the number of trees coming down. Some places have been totally demolished, she said. She said that coordinating the open space program with other city projects is a great idea.

Mayor Meyera Oberndorf said that neighborhoods become concerned about city-owned land that is not cared for and want to incorporate this land into their lots as a result.

Frankenfield said that with the final draft scheduled for September, the adoption of the plan by City Council is anticipated for October. He said that the adjusted master street and highway plans would include the outdoors plan.

The outdoors plan got a further boost from City Council at the formal session Tuesday when it appropriated \$2.2 million to purchase three parcels of land on Little Neck Road near Virginia Beach Boulevard for its open space program.

Beco Construction, contract purchaser for the land, planned to construct 43 single homes on the property which is currently zoned residential.

Staff recommended that the land be purchased for its open space program and council agreed.

Send your community news and photos to:

The Virginia Beach Sun

P.O. Box 1327

Chesapeake, Virginia 23320

The Virginia Beach Sun

Friday, July 21, 2000

VIRGINIA BEACH NEWS and VIEWS

72nd Year No. 28 35 Cents

Refuge volunteers

Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge (NWR) needs volunteers for a variety of projects, such as trail maintenance, administrative work, field biological projects and environmental education. The volunteer program at Back Bay NWR has been in effect since 1985. Volunteers come from all walks of life and from all age groups. These individuals have enjoyed meeting new people, working with the public and school groups and helping the environment and wildlife. Back Bay NWR is located in the Sandbridge section of Virginia Beach. Individuals should contact the refuge at 721-2412 for further information.

Health talk

Kevin Rack will speak on long-term health and the Virginia Medical Directive at the meeting of the Men's Fellowship of the Lymnhaven Colony Congregational Church at 6 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 7 at Old Country Buffet in the Regency Shopping Center off Laskin Road. Guests are welcome to attend. Contact the church, 481-7674, for more details.

Meet the experts

The Virginia Beach Department of Parks and Recreation presents Meet the Experts. Learn helpful information each month. The next session, "Using the Internet," will be held on Tuesday, Aug. 15 from 7 to 8 p.m. at Seateck Recreation Center. Registration deadline is Aug. 11. Meet the Experts is free and open to the public. Reservations are required by Aug. 11. For additional information call Seateck Recreation Center, 437-4858.

'Taste of Spain'

"Marie Costa: A Taste of Spain," a collection of paintings capturing the beauty of traditional Spanish culture, is opening at The Artists Gallery. Costa's personal experience with the people and pieces of Mallorca, Spain has provided the motivation for this exhibition, and her unique style of using paints, dyes and melted wax has contributed to the success of this vibrant collection of the artist's works.

"Marie Costa: A Taste of Spain" opens Saturday, Aug. 5 with a reception from 6 to 8 p.m. at The Artists Gallery. The exhibit remains on view through Aug. 31. The gallery is located at 2407 Pacific Ave. in Virginia Beach.

ECSC volunteers

The Virginia Beach Jayces need your help for the 38th annual East Coast Surfing Championship (ECSC). The Panasonic Shockwave pro surfers and beach games will be at the Virginia Beach oceanfront from Wednesday, Aug. 23 to Sunday, Aug. 27. Four hundred volunteers are needed during the five-day event. There's something for everyone at ECSC. Organizers need volunteers to work the T-shirt stands, surfing contest, bikini contest, 5-K race, volleyball tournament, movie supplies, pour beer, help band stage hands and more. Four-hour volunteer shifts are available from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. all five days. Anyone volunteering for a four-hour shift will receive a complimentary ECSC volunteer T-shirt. For more information call our ECSC volunteer hotline, 456-1565.

Summer art

The Contemporary Art Center of Virginia is offering an array of summer art classes for children of all ages. ArtCamp for children ages 6 to 11 years will be held. For ages 6 to 8 there is All Aboard the Express, a drawing and painting class that teaches these young artists to express themselves through color and movement. Kids ages 9 to 11 still have a number of options, including Clay Inside Out, Celebrate Around the World, Kaleidoscopes, Quilts, Claymation, Abstraction, Native Jewelry and a Puppet Panoply class based on the colorful artwork of Red Grooms, whose exhibition is currently in the Main Gallery.

Parents can call 425-0000, ext. 29, for details regarding dates and times or to request an explanatory brochure.

Musical evenings

The Virginia Beach Symphony Orchestra presents its two summer concerts at the oceanfront in Virginia Beach as part of Beach Events. Concerts are Aug. 2 and 9 at 7:30 p.m. on the 24th Street Stage. Music director and conductor David Kunkel will lead the orchestra in works by Offenbach, Delibes and Bizet and Broadway medleys from "Man of La Mancha" and "Phantom of the Opera," as well as patriotic favorites. These two enjoyable evening concerts will be free and open to the public at the 24th Street Park. Bring your lawn chair and come enjoy the orchestra of Virginia Beach under the stars. For further information call the symphony office, 671-8611.

Sheriff Frank Drew retiring July 31, looks back on accomplishments

Chief Deputy Paul Lanteigne selected as acting sheriff

By Victoria Hecht
Editor

Just about a week and counting. Then, long-time Virginia Beach Sheriff Frank Drew will close the door on a law enforcement career that has spanned 31 years.

Just don't call it retirement. "I'm not really retiring — all I'm doing is changing jobs," the 53-year-old said. "It's not like I'll be falling off the face of the planet."

After three decades serving the city's police department and later sheriff's office, Drew will turn his attention to another passion: antiques. He already operates an antique business to which he'll have more time to devote.

And Drew's pick for his successor — on an acting basis, at least — was realized last week. On Friday, Virginia Beach's Circuit Court judges selected Chief Deputy Paul J. Lanteigne to fill Drew's unexpired post until Dec. 31, 2001.

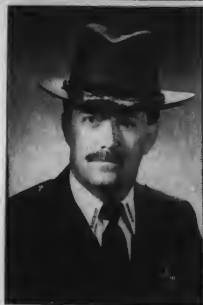
Drew's retires July 31, and Lanteigne takes over the next day.

"Thirty-one years is a long time. I've got 35 years' total in the system, including four years of military time in the Air Force," said Drew, who'll pack up decades' worth of awards and mem-

□ See SHERIFF, Page 4

"I'm not really retiring — all I'm doing is changing jobs. It's not like I'll be falling off the face of the planet. Thirty-one years is a long time. I've got 35 years' total in the system, including four years of military time in the Air Force."

Sheriff Frank Drew



Beach's Wells on track for Olympics

Regent student, 'minister of speed' is going for the gold

By Andrew Campbell
Special to the Sun

If you don't already know the name Rendward Wells, you will soon.

But if you are a track-and-field enthusiast, chances are Rendward Wells already is a name familiar to you. Some at Regent University know Wells as an articulate student in the School of Divinity.

But aside from preparing to be a minister of the gospel, Wells is already a "minister of speed."

Wells is a world-class sprinter who has competed in track-and-field competitions all over the globe, including the World Championships in Sweden and the 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanta. Wells is the top sprinter

from his native country of the Bahamas, and annually runs the fastest times from his country in his events, the 100-meter and 200-meter dashes.

He has already qualified for the 2000 Olympic Games in Sydney, Australia, to be held Sept. 15 through Oct. 1 in the 200-meter and 4x 100-meter relay race.

He fully expects to qualify for the 100-meter race, the marquis event of track-and-field, later this season.

Wells trains six days per week, three to five hours per day to prepare for the Olympics. Additionally, he lifts weights before he runs, concentrating exercises designed to work the joints.

□ See ON, Page 8



Photo by Victoria Hecht

ON TRACK FOR SUCCESS. Rendward Wells, a Regent University divinity student, is bound for Olympic glory this year in Australia. He gets in a warm-up jog before a workout on the campus.

Local actress comes home for Rizzo

Kempsville grad leaves bright lights of New York to appear in local 'Grease'

By Victoria Hecht
Editor

You can come home again. Jenna Coker is happiest when she's on a whirl. But that doesn't mean the New York-based actress doesn't find time to come home to Chesapeake for a vacation.

Well, make that a working vacation.

Coker, the 19-year-old daughter of Chuck and Harriet Coker and a 1998 graduate of Kempsville High School, re-creates the role of Rizzo in Virginia Musical Theatre's production of the Broadway favorite "Grease."

The show runs through Sunday at the Virginia Beach Pavilion.

Fresh off a stint in the nationally-touring "Annie," in which she appeared as the orphanage girl named July, Coker boarded a plane for her

Riverwalk home — and more rehearsals.

It feels good to be home, she confessed, even if there's the test to show the home folks her best.

"I guess I feel a little pressure, because people will be watching me more. But it's exciting — exciting to see all my old friends, my dad and my mom. It's a little stability, at least for a month."

When "Grease" wraps up, Coker will head back to the bright lights of New York City for some classes, work on her dancing and, a month later, head off to her first year at the Boston Conservatory.

That's how Coker likes it — fast-paced.

"I haven't even had a day off, but I

□ See ACTRESS, Page 8



GREASE IN THE WORD. Kempsville High School graduate Jenna Coker, hugging man in center, stars as the hard-bitten Rizzo in Virginia Musical Theatre's production of "Grease." The New York actress is headed for Boston Conservatory in the fall and has recently completed a national tour of "Annie."

Oceanfront rescuers strut their stuff



Photo by Jason Norman

HITTING THE WATER. Beach-goers watch as a water rescue operation is demonstrated during Water Safety Day at the oceanfront.

By Jason Norman
Correspondent

"Whenever we have a rescue of any kind, even a single-person rescue," explains Tom Gill, "we don't just send one guard into the water, we send three."

Gill is the lieutenant for the Virginia Beach Lifeguard Service (VBLS).

On Water Safety Day last week, the VBLS and the Virginia Beach EMS Boat and Dive Rescue Teams displayed their rescuing and lifesaving techniques for beachgoers on the beach at 24th Street.

In the blazing heat, hundreds of curious visitors crowded around the area to learn more about those who provide an invaluable service to swimmers and boaters.

In the first stunt, a swimmer was stranded about 50 yards from shore. Members of the VBLS were immediately to the rescue.

"You can see the two guards running down from stands 25 and 23 to assist. We want more rescuers than we have victims," Gill said.

As the lifeguards swam toward their victim, another dove up the beach on an all-terrain vehicle, which the service uses for fast transportation and communication.

"As the victim is helped to shore, the lifeguards are talking to them all the time, making sure they are safe," continued Gill.

"The guards are also constantly talking to each other, making sure that they have all the victims. On bigger-wave days, victims aren't easy to see, which is why we have the supervisors viewing from the beach."

Gill gave many beach safety tips during the demonstration.

"If you see a rescuer such as this going on, you should come out of the water for just a few minutes, to make sure that the area you are in is safe. Many times, kids can move people around very quickly, and they are easy to get caught in. If you

□ See RESCUERS, Page 8

Commentary

NEW LAWS FOR DRIVERS

A word to the wise

Law enforcement agencies across the commonwealth have a few new laws to enforce since earlier this month, when bills passed by the 2000 General Assembly and signed into law went into force. Some of the new laws pertain to driving.

One which will probably — hopefully — have a major impact relates to DUI.

Those who persist in violating the DUI laws are going to find themselves facing stricter penalties," warned Col. W. Gerald Massengill, State Police superintendent. "The new law stipulates jail time upon conviction for a blood alcohol content above .20 percent. Keep in mind that, in Virginia, drivers with a blood alcohol content of .08 or greater are considered to be driving under the influence."

Also pertaining to DUI:

■ Offenders with a first or second DUI conviction must satisfactorily complete a Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program (VASAP) prior to reinstatement of the driver's license.

■ DMV may impose stiffer license revocations based on the number of DUI convictions shown on a driver's record.

In addition, law enforcement has a new tool in the air — VASCAR.

"Speeders will find out promptly about the new law adding aerial enforcement to our enforcement tool box. Troopers in aircraft will work as a team with troopers on the ground to stop speeding vehicles, making our highways safer for everyone," Massengill said.

Pickup truck owners and drivers are advised that people under the age of 16 are prohibited from riding in the beds of pickup trucks. There is no long a safety belt and child restraint exemption for persons under 16 to ride in rear cargo areas of pickups and other vehicles.

The law governing antique motor vehicles has also been tweaked. Vehicles registered as antiques may be used for general transportation purposes if they meet conditions regarding license plates, vehicle registration, decals and, in some cases, meeting a vehicle emissions inspection requirement.

Drivers are urged to be respectful of funeral processions. Those who intentionally impede or disrupt escorted funeral processions will be subject to a fine of up to \$200 and four driver demerit points.

Another law makes it illegal to have colored glass, colored plastic or any other type of license plate covering if it alters or obscures the letters, numbers or color of the plate. The law also prohibits mounting insignias, emblems, trailer hitches or couplings in any way that hides or obscures any portion of the license plate.

Drivers should make themselves aware of the new laws and act accordingly. — C.E.C.



How safe is women's right to choose?

Not very! It's been a cliffhanger for years whether the U.S. Supreme Court would reverse its historic ruling in Roe vs. Wade.

In that ruling, the court determined that the government can not interfere with a woman's sole authority over her own body until the point in her pregnancy when the fetus was developed to the point that it could survive, if born, as a separate human being.

From medical evidence we know that point to be at 25 weeks of gestation, more commonly referred to as the third trimester of a pregnancy. Until then, there is but a potential for a viable human life, or a person with separate rights under the law.

While I have no desire to dwell on the underlying legalities governing this issue, one can not rationally discuss a woman's right to choose without laying out the constitutional foundation upon which it rests. What too few people realize is that a woman's right to choose is not about abortion per se. It's about who has the right to decide whether or not a woman bears a child.

That decision is the most private and personal of all decisions. Let's not forget, throughout most of history the right to make that choice was denied to women, but was made instead by the church-state or the male

It is religious doctrine, not civil law, upon which the pro-life argument rests.

members of their families.

A woman's entire worth was relegated to little more than that of a child-bearer and caregiver to the males in her society.

Consequently, not only were all women treated like second-class citizens, but barren women were deemed to be of almost no value whatsoever. That is why preserving a woman's equal right to the privacy guaranteed to all citizens under the U.S. Constitution ought to be of the utmost concern to every American woman. It is not a question of whether or not a woman believes in, or even would ever have, an abortion. It's about who has the right to make the decision, the woman or the state.

It is religious doctrine, not civil law, upon which the pro-life argument rests, whether these beliefs arise out of the teachings of Catholicism or fundamentalist Protestantism. Granted, there is nothing wrong with trying to influence the behavior of others because of one's deeply-held convictions, even if those convictions arise from religious beliefs.

But there is something very wrong with trying to impose one's religious convictions upon others through the power of the state unless you can establish a legal basis for doing so.

Even ardent pro-lifers should recognize the dangerous ground they are treading upon when they attempt to use the police power of the state to

usurp the right of individuals to make decisions over matters in which the government has no legitimate right to intervene.

Once you grant the state the right to govern reproduction, you have transferred to it the authority even to outlaw birth control. If the government can determine whether or not children must be born, it is the collective society, not the individual, who has the right to decide the number of children each mother must have and father must support.

Every attempt to pass laws to interfere with the state's power into this most private and personal area of our human experience threatens our individual liberties, especially those of women. Those who profess to believe in limited government, such as the Christian Coalition, ought to be the last to advocate giving the government the right to interfere with the private and personal decisions made on the basis of individual conscience.

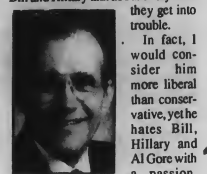
With only two Supreme Court justices holding the balance between whether a woman or the state has the right to make this most private and personal of decisions, a woman's right to privacy and choice in America is by no means assured.

Women especially should keep that in mind when they cast their vote for the next president in November. It is no small consequence that Bush is avidly pro-life. A woman's right to choose is very much in jeopardy under a Bush presidency since he will have the power to appoint at least two new justices.

Two more justices like Scalia (who is the justice Bush admires most) will strip women of their constitutional right to privacy guaranteed by Roe vs. Wade before you can say "Jack Robinson."

Imus tells it like it is, even to Hillary, Al

Don Imus, a radio and television talk show host on MSNBC from 6 to 10 a.m. each morning, is not part of the vast Right Wing conspiracy that Bill and Hillary talk about every time



The Real World

By B.J. Sessions, senior columnist.

He refers to Bill as a draft-dodging pervert who preys on young girls. He never misses a chance to put the Clintons down.

Several years ago Imus was master of ceremonies at a banquet attended by Bill and Hillary. He talked about Bill's woman and several of the things that Hillary had been involved in that was questionable. They had to sit there and take it, and even I felt embarrassed for them.

Now that Gore is running for the presidency he talks about what a phony and liar that he is, so there is no question that Gore knows how Imus feels about him. Recently, Imus fell from his horse, breaking the collar bone, several ribs, puncturing a lung and suffering a dislocated shoulder. He was in the hospital for 10 days and off the air for two weeks.

On the morning of his return he was outraged at two letters that he had received while in the hospital. Imus read them on the air.

One was from Hillary Clinton written on White House stationery which read, "Dear Don, Sorry to hear about your accident. I am looking forward to your speedy recovery," and it was signed Hillary Rodman Clinton. He said he would like to burn it on the air, but decided to burn it later. He called Hillary a fat phony with piano legs and said he would not vote for her.

The next letter he read was from "that phony nitwit Al Gore" which read, "Dear Don, Sorry about your accident, but remember it's not important the number of times you fall from a horse, but the number of times you get back on. If I can be of help to you, please call me," and it was signed Al.

Imus told his assistant to call Gore and tell him that he could help him by withdrawing from the race. He reads those letters to his millions of listeners who already know that the Clintons and Al Gore will do anything to get a vote. What phonies! Welcome to the real world.



Perspectives

By Eileen Huey, columnist

point that it could survive, if born, as a separate human being.

From medical evidence we know that point to be at 25 weeks of gestation, more commonly referred to as the third trimester of a pregnancy. Until then, there is but a potential for a viable human life, or a person with separate rights under the law.

While I have no desire to dwell on the underlying legalities governing this issue, one can not rationally discuss a woman's right to choose without laying out the constitutional foundation upon which it rests. What too few people realize is that a woman's right to choose is not about abortion per se. It's about who has the right to decide whether or not a woman bears a child.

That decision is the most private and personal of all decisions. Let's not forget, throughout most of history the right to make that choice was denied to women, but was made instead by the church-state or the male

Fixation lasts longer than 'Bug's Life'

I have to admit there's really no getting a handle on this thing called toddlerhood.

Once you think you've got him or her figured out, they up and change it all.

Mitch is 21 months old now. He's a bright, happy, talkative fellow who rarely meets a stranger. Just about everyone is his friend, which is good. Generally, he's easy to please.

Sounds perfect, right?

Not quite.

He has his likes, which are many, and he has his dislikes, which are mercifully few. However, when he feels strongly about something, watch out.

Mitch's latest fascination is the movie "A Bug's Life."

In efforts to grow his DVD collection, my husband Evan went out a few weeks ago and purchased a mini vault of movies. He picked lots of Disney classics, a few of his old-time favorites, and several newer children's releases.

In efforts to gain a few minutes of free time here and there, we thought, "Won't it be nice to find some movies Mitch likes so he'll be occupied while we do chores?"

I'm not looking to turn my kid into a TV zombie, but something to catch his attention while I'm cooking dinner would be great. I figured, (It's difficult to make supper while chasing a toddler learning about the house.)

So we tried a few selections. The classic "101 Dalmatians" got a perfunctory glance, grabbing his attention for a whole seven minutes. "Lady and the Tramp" didn't fare better. Nor did "The Lion King" or several others.

One night Evan popped "A Bug's Life" into the DVD player and Mitch was transfixed.

I mean really transfixed. The kid wouldn't move. The heck with dinner, he wasn't getting off that couch for anything. Yes, he watched the entire movie — eyes as big as saucers — and begged for us to play it again when it was over.

For the last couple of weeks, "A Bug's Life" has been my son's guiding force. He wakes in the morning asking innocently, "Bug's Life time?" When I tell him that's for the evening, he no longer asks. It becomes, "Bug's Life time!" over and over.

A few mornings ago, when I repeated to him that the movie is a "night-night treat," he walked across his bedroom, into the family room, opened the doors of the entertainment center, pushed the doors back, opened the cabinet that houses the DVD player, turned on the DVD player, then turned on the television.

Then he proceeded to pull himself onto the couch, plant himself in the corner (his favorite) and announce, "Bug's Life time! Now, Mommy!" Given all that he had gone through, I felt obliged to let him watch the movie while I dressed for work.

He needed a little help, though.

Mitch has learned how to turn on the VCR, hit "play" and, yes, even set the TV to channel 4. But he hasn't mastered the DVD yet. That is coming soon, I'm sure.

Anyway, every time is now "Bug's Life" time. Morning, noon or night, it's all he wants to do. Given the choice between going to the park or watching "Bug's Life," he insists on the movie.

Don't even ask about meals. At dinner, when I try to take him into the kitchen to eat, he protests because he can't see the television screen (though he can hear the movie). A couple of nights, just to get him to eat, I let him sit on the couch and have his supper.

I know. I'm probably breaking a thousand parenting rules by indulging him so. But I tell myself that it's just a phase. One day, he will suddenly lose his fascination with "A Bug's Life" and fixate on something else.

He has already had other obsessions, though they too have passed: Elmo, Barney, balls (my husband went out and purchased a \$125 ball pit to satiate this obsession) and the park. "Bug's Life," however, is his greatest obsession by far.

Who knows? Maybe in his 21-month-old mind, my son fantasizes that he is Flick, the hero of the movie, or that he is defeating the evil Hopper character. I did notice him thinking long and hard a few mornings ago before squashing an ant on the front porch. Maybe he thought it was Flick.

I have resigned myself that, until this movie fixation fades, I will be watching endless screenings of "A Bug's Life." And that every word of dialogue will be ingrained in my mind (it's almost there now anyway).

I just wish that my son's fascination with "A Bug's Life" were as short as...well, a bug's life!

You read it here!

The Virginia Beach Sun

P.O. Box 1327
1024 North Battlefield Blvd.
Chesapeake, Va. 23320
Telephone: (757) 547-4571
(USPS660-140)

Publisher
Hanes Byerly
General Manager
Ron Wilmont

Editorial Supervisor
Jamie Brown

Editor
Victoria Hecht

Office Manager
Gerri Orange

Advertising
Brandi Cyr
Mary Speer

Composition Supervisor
Loretta Lomax

The Virginia Beach Sun is published every Friday by Byerly Publications, Inc., 1000 Armory Drive, Franklin, Virginia 23851. Periodicals postage paid in Franklin, Virginia and additional entry offices. Postmaster: Send address changes to 1000 Armory Drive, Franklin, Virginia 23851. Subscription Rates: By mail addresses within 40 miles of Virginia Beach, Va., one year, \$15.95, two years, \$28.95. Virginia and North Carolina, one year, \$17.85, two years, \$29.50. All other states, one year, \$24.00, two years, \$38.50. Payable in advance.

Other Byerly Publications newspapers: The Chesapeake Post, The Portsmouth Times, The Tidewater News, The Brunswick Times-Gazette, The Independent Messenger, The Dinwiddie Monitor, The Petersburg Monitor.



HOW TO SUBSCRIBE TO THE VIRGINIA BEACH SUN

☐ New Subscription ☐ Renewal

Please mail this coupon with your check to:
SUN, P.O. Box 1327, Chesapeake, VA 23327

RATES: Within 40 miles of Virginia Beach:

☐ One year \$15.95 ☐ Two years \$28.95

Elsewhere in Virginia and North Carolina:

☐ One year \$17.85 ☐ Two years \$29.50

All other states:

☐ One year \$24.00 ☐ Two years \$38.50

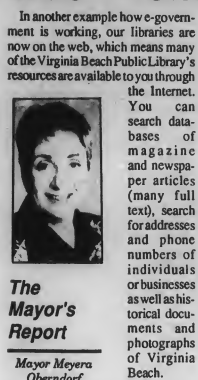
Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Your library is on the web — check it out!



The Mayor's Report

Mayor Meyer Oberdorf

There is also information about the library including locations, phone numbers and schedules of events for each facility. The library's website contains details of how you can volunteer to help the library fulfill its mission to provide access to information and to promote reading and lifelong learning opportunities for the citizens of Virginia Beach.

You can now browse our catalog for your favorite authors, titles or subjects through our web site. You can also search the archives collection. You cannot reserve books over the Internet at this time. Please feel free to call your closest library to place a book on reserve.

The Archives Collection covers the earliest period of Princess Anne County through 1963. It contains more than 200 images including a 1664 land grant, an 1859 Virginia House of Delegates seating chart, vintage hotel postcards and panoramic photos of the boardwalk in the 1920s.

You can access the electronic resources below from the comfort of your own home with your Virginia Beach Public Library card:

- **MasterFILE Premier** - The source allows you to search for magazine and journal articles. It indexes and abstracts more than 2,780 titles. Full text articles are available for more than 1,810 of these titles.
- **Books in Print** - With bibliographic records from more than 44,000 publishers, this source allows you to search for books currently in print, about to be published, or out of print since 1979.

- **ProCD (Business and Residential)** - Search 80 million residential and 15 million business telephone listings by name, phone number, zip code, city, state or SIC code.

- **Newspaper Source** - Newspaper Source provides selected full text for 143 U.S. and international newspapers. This collection offers full text from several major U.S. newspapers. Indexing is available for such national newspapers as *The Wall Street Journal* and *The New York Times*.

- **Ethnic News Watch** - This database provides access to newspapers, magazines and journals of the ethnic, minority and native press in America. A wide range of current topics, social, political and educational subjects are covered both nationally and

You can now browse our catalog for your favorite authors, titles or subjects through our web site. You can also search the archives collection. You cannot reserve books over the Internet at this time.

internationally.

Other resources available on the library website are:

- A list of all the new audio visual titles which includes books on tape, CD's, music cassettes and videos is updated monthly.

- The software list for the Public Access Computer Room.

- The current schedule of library programs and special events.

- A "virtual" tour of the library facilities and more information about the services offered.

- Volunteer opportunities.

- Information about joining the Friends of the Virginia Beach Public Library.

The library shares parents' concerns about inappropriate content and has provided Kidnet, "virtual Internet" stations, for young children and filtered stations for other customers. Unfiltered stations will have censored monitors. As always, monitoring children is the responsibility of their parents. Filtering software is not 100 percent effective in blocking objectionable materials and is no substitute for the supervision and attention of a caring adult.

A item which the computer indicates is "Available" may not be on the library's shelf. Please call the library with the "available" item to confirm the availability.

You must have a Virginia Beach Public Library card to borrow materials. To register, please visit the library nearest you. A picture ID and proof of your current Virginia address are required.

A note to America Online Customers: You may need to use the newest AOL browser to access the resources available through EbscoHOST. An alternative is to use Netscape Navigator or Microsoft Internet Explorer. The library's website address is: www.virginia-beach.va.us/dept/libr.

The phone numbers of the libraries in the city of Virginia Beach are:

- Central Library, 431-3001;
- Kempville Library, 495-1016;
- Bayside Library, 460-7518;
- Great Neck, 496-6868;
- Oceanfront, 437-4821;
- Windsor Woods, 340-1043;
- Pungo/Blackwater, 426-5194;
- Bookmobile, 340-7798; and
- Wabab Public Law Library, 427-4419.

The Virginia Beach Department of Libraries contributed to this column.

Dept. of Health urges mosquito prevention

The Virginia Department of Health is urging people to take precautions to avoid potentially dangerous mosquitoes. Mosquitoes in Virginia may carry diseases including St. Louis encephalitis, Eastern equine encephalitis, La Crosse encephalitis and West Nile virus. Although mosquito-borne viral illnesses are rare in humans, a Kill Devil Hills, N.C. woman recently died after she came down with Eastern equine encephalitis from an infected mosquito. The Virginia Department of Health, along with a variety of agencies, routinely conducts testing in mosquitoes and birds to monitor for possible mosquito-borne viruses.

No cases of people, mosquitoes or birds testing positive for any of the four viruses have been reported in Virginia this year.

Mosquitoes become infected after biting infected birds. The symptoms for mosquito-borne illnesses may include headache, moderate to high fever, stiff neck and confusion. In serious cases coma, seizures or paralysis can result. Symptoms usually appear between 5 to 15 days after exposure to infected mosquitoes. Mosquito-borne illnesses may be mild or serious and can lead to death.

The health department advises wearing proper clothing and using

safe insect repellent as the best ways to guard your family against mosquitoes:

- Wear clothes that are long, loose and light in color.

- If possible stay indoors during early morning and early evening.

- Insect repellent products used should contain no more than 20 to 30 percent DEET for adults. The product should contain less than 10 percent for children. Only adults should apply repellent on a child.

- Do not spray repellent on your eyes or mouth. Spray repellent on your hands and then apply to your face.

- Only apply repellent to exposed skin and clothing. Do not use repellent under clothing.

- Do not apply over cuts, wounds, sunburn or irritated skin.

- Wash repellent off daily and reapply as needed.

The health department also recommends eliminating breeding sites for mosquitoes around your home to reduce your risk:

- Turn over containers in your yard where rainwater collects, such as wading pools, old tires, potted plant trays, birdbaths, boats, buckets and toys.

- Clean roof gutters and downspout screens regularly and eliminate standing water on flat roofs.

Up close and personal

Midge Nichols: Volunteers a helping hand

By Victoria Hecht
Editor

Mary Jean "Midge" Nichols doesn't mind going the extra step — or 50,000 extra steps, for that matter — to help others.

Participating in the Relay for Life to raise money for cancer research and education is just one way the College Park resident puts her best foot forward. This year, Nichols' selfless efforts were applauded by her employer when she was named one of 10 employee Volunteers of the Year by Virginia Power.

The Volunteer of the Year honor was a bittersweet one, however.

Nichols has been employed at the Chesapeake Energy Center on Military Highway for 16 years. A senior staff assistant, that will change later this summer with a promotion. She has been named new human resources administrator for Virginia Power's Richmond office.

"It was a really neat honor (Volunteer of the Year)," said Nichols, who considers the 150 employees at the Chesapeake plant part of her family. "It was a nice surprise, a banquet in Richmond and everything. They make you feel like gold and put you into the spotlight."

The honor makes it all the more difficult to say farewell.

"It's going to be hard leaving after being here so long," she admitted. "It's neat to sign people up on the payroll at age 18 and watch them go through marriages, births, you name it."

Perhaps one of the things her Chesapeake coworkers will miss most is Nichols' willingness to help others. It is, after all, one of the reasons she was named a Volunteer of the Year.

"What can truly be said is that if Midge sees a need, it will be met with a smile and with results," wrote one colleague in a nomination letter.

Her efforts show. Last year, she participated in Paint Your Heart Out, Relay for Life, United Way Day of Caring and the Chesapeake plant's recycling program.

However, one project stood out in the minds of coworkers who nominated Nichols — spearheading the power station's efforts to adopt Rena B. Wright Primary School. As a result of her work, Wright second graders toured the power station, and employees donated books to the school's reading program. At Christmas, plant employees conducted a food drive for students and their families. Even when she moves away, Nichols has vowed to come back when she can and assist with the school's Accelerated Reader program.

"Volunteering comes from the heart. If you're able to help one person, it's worth it all," said Nichols. "It just makes me feel good to volunteer."

All the time she has devoted to the company, its people and volunteer endeavors hit home recently as Nichols began boxing belting up for the move.

"I came in here to work one Saturday and started taking down all the photos off the wall. I began remembering all the people and what they've done. It's going to be hard. I'll miss the people. They're like my work family. You figure you spend nine or 10 hours a day here. These are good people here. I always thought I'd be here forever."

The job change will be quite a switch for Nichols, who calls herself the "mother hen" of the Chesapeake Energy Plant.

"It's like I'll be going from doing a job of 101 things to this one major focus," she explained.

Name: Mary Jean Nichols.

What brought you to this area: My parents moved here after I graduated from high school. I was on my own for a couple of years and then came here to help my father take care of my mom, who had become very ill with multiple sclerosis.

Hometown: I was a "Navy brat," so it depends on what year. I grew up in South Texas (Corpus Christi), went to high school and college in West Virginia (Williamson and Morgantown) and have been in Tidewater for 20 years.

Age: 40 (or should I say 39 forever?).

Nickname: Midge. My father called me MJ (short for my birth name, Mary Jean) and he turned it to Midge. The only time he called me Mary Jean was when he was upset with me!

Occupation: "Mother hen." I've been taking care of the folks at the Chesapeake Energy Center for Virginia Power for 16 years and love it. I recently accepted a promotion to Richmond, though.

Marital Status: Married with a grown child and pets.



"I came in here to work one Saturday and started taking down all the photos off the wall. I began remembering all the people and what they've done. They're like my work family."

Midge Nichols

Children: Shawn "Clint" Sayers, 18, just graduated from high school and will be joining the Army at the end of this summer. I have three stepchildren I haven't met yet — Kenny, 15, Andy, 14 and Paige, 13.

Favorite movies: Any chick flick really and Christmas movies. "The Big Chill" is my favorite, along with "A Christmas Story."

Favorite magazines: People, of course. Lots of real-life stories and especially Hollywood happenings.

Favorite authors: Not sure because I don't get a whole lot of time to read.

Favorite night out on the town: We have a favorite Mexican restaurant, and then we top it off with a movie. We call that a date night.

Favorite restaurants: El Rodeo at Providence Square Shopping Center, corner of Providence and Kempville. It's the best, and I'm refreshing my Spanish I learned growing up in South Texas.

Favorite meal and beverage: El Rodeo chips and dip with a jumbo margarita on the rocks, followed by something nutritious.

What most people don't know about me: I was my high school mascot ("Woffie") for three years, student body president and Hi-Y youth governor of West Virginia in 1978. I don't talk much about my past, so my friends don't know.

Best thing about myself: I like the way I can get along with people. Most strangers are friends we haven't met yet, and I enjoy finding out about new folks.

Worst habit: It would have to be my sweet cravings. Life is short, so eat dessert first.

Pets: My pets are my children now! Casey, a 10-year-old mixed breed dog, Rock, a 4-year-old mixed breed cat, and Jake (our wildest), a 1-year-old miniature Lab mixed breed.

Hobbies: Relaxing and watching my flowers grow. My life is very fast paced during the week, so I'm getting into gardening when I can.

Ideal vacation: Any time I can just relax. We do enjoy the Ocean City, Md. boardwalk with the caramel cone and fries with vinegar.

Pet peeves: The only one I can think of is negativity. Life is too short to dwell on the negative. My glass is always half full.

First job: When I was in high school, I was a greeter at a dress shop my good friends owned. It was fun!

Least liked job: I've always tried to be open and enjoy what I do. It is what we make it. I'm best when I have good, productive days.

Favorite sports team: I'm a NASCAR nut.

Favorite musicians: I listen to country now, but I really listen to all kinds of music and am really a fan of all musicians. Especially like to listen to a good fiddle player.

Most embarrassing moment: Oh gosh, let me think! I have had so many!

How I would like to be remembered: I would like to think folks would remember me as a kind soul who loved life and helping people.

If I received \$1 million: I'd give the Lord his credit first, take care of my family and friends, then travel, travel, travel.

If I had 10 minutes on national television: I wouldn't want it. I don't envy folks who have to live their lives in a "fish bowl" (even for 10 minutes). I'm a behind-the-scenes type of person.

Tired of bad news? Want to hear about the positive?
Subscribe to The Virginia Beach Sun.
Call 547-4571 today!

Sugar Plum Tree Craft Shop opens July 29

The 28th annual Sugar Plum Tree Craft Shop will be held Saturday, July 29 through Friday, Aug. 4 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. with the exception of Sunday, July 30, when the hours will be noon to 6 p.m.

This event is free and open to the public. It is held at the Lynnhaven Middle School, 1250 Bayview St., located off Old Dominion Parkway. Opening ceremonies will be at 10 a.m. on July 29 with Mayor Meyers Oberndorf doing the ribbon cutting along with co-chairs of the event, Betty Sawyer and Helen Coleman of the Cape Henry Woman's Club.

Among the available items are wooden furniture, quilts, jewelry,

afghans, stitchery, woven baskets, ceramics, wreaths, knitted and crocheted items, toys and many more types of crafts. Come browse and/or purchase from these talented sellers.

This shop was started in 1973 to help senior citizens earn money from the sale of their handmade arts and crafts. This is a community endeavor and includes the cooperation of the Parks and Recreation Department of Virginia Beach. Each year Cape Henry Woman's Club spends more than 2,000 volunteer hours in setting up and operating the shop while seniors have earned more than \$1 million combined from their sales.

Colonial life explored during What A Wednesday

The Francis Land House hosts "What A Wednesday" in August at 2 p.m. for a family "hands-on" program highlighting life in colonial Virginia. Each event includes a souvenir to take home.

The programs and all materials are included in the regular admission price (adults \$3.50; senior citizens \$2.50 and children \$2.50). Students are half price.

■ Aug. 2 - "House Detective." Learn about the "mysteries of history" as you uncover clues to the past. Be a detective and see what you can discover about the Francis Land House and its colonial heritage.

■ Aug. 9 - "Pestiferous Plants and Animals." Identify and explore the villains of yesterday and today. Compare 18th-century remedies with today's technology. Make an 18th-century insect repellent to take home.

■ Aug. 16 - "Into the Woods." Examine the colonial uses of the woodlands. Walk the historic trail. Visit with a colonial woodworker and a colonial naturalist. "Become" a colonial artist!

■ Aug. 23 - "A Day of Curiosities." History is full of curious things. What is it and how was it used? A day of exploration of early curiosities. Make your own curiosity.

■ Aug. 30 - "Sew Long Ago: Fashions in Early America." As you think about "back to school" fashions, visit with the heirloom seamstresses and see how people dressed long ago. Try on the latest fashions of over 200 years ago.

The Francis Land House is operated by the Virginia Beach Historic Houses, Department of Museums and Cultural Arts and is located at 3131 Virginia Beach Blvd. Call 431-4000.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The city of Virginia Beach has many community service opportunities.

If you would prefer not to be committed to a daily/weekly, long-term volunteer assignment, we could add your name to our list of on-call volunteers to work special projects as they become available.

A volunteer application form may be obtained at the City of Virginia Beach, Human Resources Office, Building 18, Room 106, Municipal Center, Virginia Beach, VA 23456.

Tidewater Striders award scholarships

The Tidewater Striders, a local running club with more than 1,900 members, has awarded the following scholarships for 2000-2001 to Virginia Beach students:

■ \$1,500 Tom Bashara Memorial Scholarship, Kevin Rhue, sophomore at Virginia Tech.

■ \$1,000 Tidewater Strider Scholarships for Adrienne Parker, senior at the College of William and Mary; Ashley Whitaker, sophomore at East Carolina University; Brad Sorgen, graduate of Cox High School attending Radford University; and Katherine Hirsch, graduate of Kempville High School attending University of Maryland (BC).

LEGAL NOTICES

VIRGINIA: IN THE VIRGINIA BEACH CIRCUIT COURT CLERK'S OFFICE
IN RE: Andrew L. Scott, Plaintiff.

Deborah Racks Scott, Defendant
CASE NO. CH00-1808
ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this suit is to obtain a Divorce A Vinculo Maritoni on the grounds of a one year separation. It is ORDERED that Deborah Racks Scott appear and protect her interest, on or before August 17, 2000, which date is no sooner than fifty days after entry of this order of publication.

And it is further ORDERED that this order of publication be published once a week for four successive weeks in Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in this City prescribed by this court.

Date: June 26, 2000
J. CURTIS FRUIT, CLERK
By Valerie B. Hazlip, Deputy Clerk

Public Notice

VIRGINIA: IN THE VIRGINIA BEACH CIRCUIT COURT CLERK'S OFFICE
IN RE: Lorenzo Parker, Plaintiff

Gloria B. Parker, Defendant
CASE NO. 98-3540
ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this suit is to obtain a Divorce A Vinculo Maritoni from the defendant upon the grounds of having lived separate and apart continuously without cohabitation and without interruption for a period of one year.

It is ORDERED that Gloria B. Parker appear and protect her interest, on or before August 17, 2000, which date is no sooner than fifty days after entry of this order of publication.

And it is further ORDERED that this order of publication be published once a week for four successive weeks in Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in this City prescribed by this court.

Date: June 26, 2000
J. CURTIS FRUIT, CLERK
By Valerie B. Hazlip, Deputy Clerk

Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE OF
1705 Harrington Court
Virginia Beach, VA 23464

In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of \$84,051.00, from Sara J. Owens and David L. Owens, Grantors, dated June 30, 1994, recorded among the land records of the Circuit Court for the CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH on July 6, 1994 in Book 3410 at Page 660, the undersigned appointed Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the main entrance of the Courthouse for the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, 2305 Judicial Blvd., Virginia

Beach, Virginia on 08/15/00 at 2:40 P.M., the property with improvements to wit: ALL THAT certain lot, piece or parcel of land with the buildings and improvements thereon, and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, lying, situate and being in the City of Virginia Beach, State of Virginia, and being known, numbered and designated as Lot 15, Site A, Block K, as shown on that certain plat entitled, "Subdivision of Lots 9 and 10, Block 1, Lot 7, Block J, Lots 1, 2, 13, 14, 15 and 16, Block K, Lots 8 and 9, Block L, Brandon, Section Six", which said plat is duly recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Map Book 128, at Page 53. And described in the above Deed of Trust.

TERMS OF SALE: ALL CASH. A bidder's deposit of 10% of the sale price will be required in cash, certified or cashier's check. Settlement within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Trustees may forfeit deposit. Additional terms to be announced at sale.

Loan Type: CONV.
Trustee's File No.: L62081VIR
Substitute Trustee:

DRAPER & GOLDBERG, PLLC
750 Miller Drive, Suite C-1
Leesburg, Virginia 20175
(703) 777-7101

Email: kelling@draggold.com

Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE OF
1312 Crane Crescent
Virginia Beach, VA 23454

In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of \$81,000.00, from David Gregorio, Beverly J. Reddin, Daniel J. Mayer and Janet R. Mayer, Grantors, dated October 2, 1992, recorded among the land records of the Circuit Court for the CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH on October 7, 1992 in Book 3135 at Page 800, the undersigned appointed Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the main entrance of the Courthouse for the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, 2305 Judicial Blvd., Virginia Beach, Virginia on 08/15/00 at 2:35 P.M., the property with improvements to wit: All that certain lot, piece or parcel of land with the buildings and improvements thereon, situate, lying and being in the City of Virginia Beach, State of Virginia, and being known, numbered and designated as Lot 35, as shown on that certain plat entitled "Subdivision of Redwing, Section Three", which plat is duly recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia in Map Book 170 at Page 4. And described in the above Deed of Trust.

TERMS OF SALE: ALL CASH. A bidder's deposit of 10% of the sale price will be required in cash, certified or cashier's check. Settlement within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Trustees may forfeit deposit. Additional terms to be announced at sale.

Loan Type: CONV.
Trustee's File No.: L62089VIR
Substitute Trustee:

DRAPER & GOLDBERG, PLLC
750 Miller Drive, Suite C-1
Leesburg, Virginia 20175
(703) 777-7101

Email: kelling@draggold.com

Public Notice

NOTICE OF
ESTABLISHMENT OF FEE

On August 8, 2000, in the School Administration Building, 2512 George Mason Drive, Building 6, Municipal Center, Virginia Beach, Virginia, the Virginia Beach City Council will hold a public hearing concerning a proposed ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance to Amend Section 5B of the Site Plan Ordinance by Establishing Required Fees and Procedures Pertaining to Floodplain Variances." If adopted, the proposed ordinance would, among other things, establish a fee in the amount of Four Hundred Sixty-Seven Dollars (\$467.00) for applications for variances from the floodplain regulations set forth in Section 5B of the Site Plan Ordinance of the City of Virginia Beach. The authority for the establishment of such fee is contained in Sections 15.2-2241 and 15.2-2246 of the Virginia Code. The complete ordinance and information concerning the documentation and justification for the proposed fee, is available for examination by the public at the Department of Planning, Operations Building (Building Two), Room 215, 2405 Courthouse Drive, Virginia Beach, Virginia.

Ruth Hodges Smith, MMC
City Clerk

28-4
217-21

Public Notice

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF
5802 West Hastings Arch
Virginia Beach, VA 23462

In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of \$60,000.00 with an annual interest rate of 11.0% dated August 29, 1999, recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, VA in Deed Book 4145 at page 2154, default having been made in the payment of the debt secured and requested by the Note Holder to do so, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer at public auction the property known as 5802 West Hastings Arch and aka Lot 45, Site 3 on that certain plat entitled "Subdivision of Lake Edward West, Section 3 Bayside Borough, Virginia Beach, VA and described in the above Deed of Trust. This sale will take place on Monday, July 31, 2000 at 9:00 a.m. at the front entrance of the Virginia Beach Circuit Courthouse, 2305 Judicial Blvd., Building 10, Virginia Beach, VA. A deposit of 10% will be required of any bidder at the time of sale. Closing within 15 days of sale. Additional terms may be announced at sale.

For information contact: Stephen H. Ashley, Substitute Trustee, 6644 Stoney Point South, Norfolk, VA 23502, (757) 461-0664.

28-5
317-28

Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE OF
5593 New Colony Drive
Virginia Beach, VA 23464

In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of \$84,850.00, from Donald W. Smith and Paula Smith, Grantors, dated August 11, 1998, recorded among the land records of the Circuit Court for the CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH on August 12, 1998 in Book 3934 at Page 1265, the undersigned appointed Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the main entrance of the Courthouse for the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, 2305 Judicial Blvd., Virginia Beach, Virginia on 08/15/00 at 2:55 P.M., the property with improvements to wit: ALL THAT certain lot, piece or parcel of land, with its appurtenances, situate in the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, and being known, numbered and designated as LOT five (5), Block "A", as shown on that certain plat entitled "JAMESTOWN OF WHITEHURST LANDING, SECTION ONE", duly recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Map Book 90, at Page 31. IT BEING the same property conveyed to the Grantors herein by deed from Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, dated June 24, 1998 and intended to be recorded simultaneously herewith. And described in the above Deed of Trust.

TERMS OF SALE: ALL CASH. A bidder's deposit of 10% of the sale price will be required in cash, certified or cashier's check. Settlement within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Trustees may forfeit deposit. Additional terms to be announced at sale.

Loan Type: FHA.
Trustee's File No.: L62180VIR
Substitute Trustee:

DRAPER & GOLDBERG, PLLC
750 Miller Drive, Suite C-1
Leesburg, Virginia 20175
(703) 777-7101

Email: kelling@draggold.com

Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE OF
5219 Richard Road
Virginia Beach, VA 23462

In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of \$61,400.00, from David E. Bennett and Denise E. Bennett, Grantors dated January 26, 1987, recorded among the land records of the Circuit Court for the CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH on January 30, 1987 in Book 2591 at Page 755, the undersigned appointed Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the main entrance of the Courthouse for the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, 2305 Judicial Blvd., Virginia Beach, Virginia on 08/29/00 at 1:00 P.M., the property with improvements to wit: ALL THAT certain lot, piece or parcel of land with the buildings and improvements thereon, and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, lying, situate and being in the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, and being known, numbered and designated as Lot 1, in Block CC as shown on that certain plat entitled "Subdivision of Northridge, Section One" which said plat is duly recorded in the clerk's office of the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia in Map Book 141 at Page 13. IT BEING the same property that was conveyed to the grantors herein by deed of R.G. Moore Building

28-6
217-28

Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE OF
5219 Richard Road
Virginia Beach, VA 23462

In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of \$61,400.00, from David E. Bennett and Denise E. Bennett, Grantors dated January 26, 1987, recorded among the land records of the Circuit Court for the CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH on January 30, 1987 in Book 2591 at Page 755, the undersigned appointed Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the main entrance of the Courthouse for the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, 2305 Judicial Blvd., Virginia Beach, Virginia on 08/29/00 at 1:00 P.M., the property with improvements to wit: ALL THAT certain lot, piece or parcel of land with the buildings and improvements thereon, and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, lying, situate and being in the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, and being known, numbered and designated as Lot 1, in Block CC as shown on that certain plat entitled "Subdivision of Northridge, Section One" which said plat is duly recorded in the clerk's office of the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia in Map Book 141 at Page 13. IT BEING the same property that was conveyed to the grantors herein by deed of R.G. Moore Building

ARE hosts lectures July 23-29

The Association for Research and Enlightenment (ARE) announces its schedule of free lectures for the week of July 23-29:

■ Sunday, July 23 - "Prophecies and Earth Changes" by Grace Yusek.

■ Monday, July 24 - "Meditation and Kundalini" by Nancy Eubel.

■ Tuesday, July 25 - "Lives of the Master" by Robert Phelps.

■ Wednesday, July 26 - "Pro-

perity" by Pat Duzey.

■ Thursday, July 27 - "Ideals" by Frances Ellen Worrell.

■ Friday, July 28 - "Dreams and Dreaming" by Midge Woods.

■ Saturday, July 29 - "Ancient Civilizations: Egypt" by Grace Yusek.

All lectures are held at 3:30 p.m. at the ARE Visitor Center, 6700 Atlantic Avenue. For more information call, 428-3588, ext. 7265.

Sheriff retires July 31

Continued From Page 1

orabilia as he makes way for Lanteigne.

Drew became Virginia Beach's sheriff in 1989, taking over leadership of the office at what he sarcastically termed "a fun time."

"When I took office, a large percentage of the deputies qualified for food stamps and public assistance," he remembered. "Today, none of them do."

But it was worse. "This place was under federal investigation for fraud and mismanagement of money. The State Police were in here investigating sexual harassment problems. It was all uphill."

Drew, who worked in the police department's Internal Affairs when elected sheriff, appeared a good choice.

Under his leadership, he put inmates to work through various programs, lobbied for better pay and benefits for his employees, kicked off an office wellness program and assumed the responsibility of the city's DARE program, formerly run by the police department.

Drew feels his greatest achievement as sheriff was bettering the deputies' pay and quality of life. Last year, as president of the Virginia Sheriffs Association, he lobbied for a statewide pay increase. In December, through a state pay regrade by the Compensation Board, deputies won a 13-percent raise.

"Now, the words 'deputy sheriff' are something to be proud of — the deputies are not second-class citizens," Drew said.

He's also proud of the Community Work Force he began which uses non-violent criminals to assist citizens and local organizations with projects when no state or local dollars are available.

Drew formed the Elderly Assistance Program which uses inmate labor and donated

materials to make repairs to the homes of senior citizens who are not financially able to do it.

There have been a few bumpy moments, too.

In the 11 years as sheriff, Drew has been sued "thousands of times" by inmates "at the taxpayers' expense" over such frivolities as soap scum on a shower door and chicken not being cooked to their liking.

Last year, in his first run for state office (delegate), Drew was dealt the loss. Today, looking back, he admits he didn't know what he was in for.

In his retirement, Drew is considering a run for local office, probably City Council, because he says it's the "real work" and has the most impact on the residents of Virginia Beach.

Drew said he's been fortunate in his current position. After his initial run for sheriff, he's never had any competition.

Drew is happy with his accomplishments.

"I planned my life out and it's all kind of fallen into place," he reflected. "I've been lucky. I've gotten much further in the organizations than I thought I would, I never dreamed I'd be sheriff or a police commander. Those things happened. I just figured I'd retire after 25 years."

He feels that, in Lanteigne, he's leaving the office in competent hands.

"Paul and I were joking and I said, 'What are you going to do next?' He said, 'My goal is to maintain the status quo,'" Drew laughed.

Lanteigne, named chief deputy in 1994, served four years on City Council and two years on the School Board.

"Paul has worked for me his whole adult life. He was one of my SWAT guys back in the old days, then a canine officer, and followed me into the Traffic Division as a sergeant. We've been together throughout his whole career. I've probably worked with a thousand bright young people, and he's the brightest."

affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid at the sale.

TERMS: CASH: A bidder's deposit of \$9,000.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be announced at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum or contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

This notice is an attempt to collect on a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Loan Type: FHA.

NP007331
FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:

Between 8 - 11 AM
Nectar Projects, Inc.
Substitute Trustee
751 Miller Drive, Suite G1
Leesburg, Virginia 20175
(703) 777-8619

29-1
217-28

Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE
4809 Machen Avenue
Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Thomas O. Spillane dated June 26, 1996 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3633, page 523, securing a loan which was originally \$63,850.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the front steps of the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on August 11, 2000 at 8:00 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lots four (4), five (5) and six (6), in Block three (3), as shown on that certain plat entitled, "Subdivision of Bradfordswood," Tax Map #15740-0-878-0000.

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid at the sale.

TERMS: CASH: A bidder's deposit of \$6,100.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be announced at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum or contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

This notice is an attempt to collect on a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Loan Type: FHA.

NP007320
FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:

Between 8 - 11 AM
Nectar Projects, Inc.
Substitute Trustee
751 Miller Drive, Suite G1
Leesburg, Virginia 20175
(703) 777-8619

29-2
217-28

Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE OF
5219 Richard Road
Virginia Beach, VA 23462

In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of \$61,400.00, from David E. Bennett and Denise E. Bennett, Grantors dated January 26, 1987, recorded among the land records of the Circuit Court for the CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH on January 30, 1987 in Book 2591 at Page 755, the undersigned appointed Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the main entrance of the Courthouse for the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, 2305 Judicial Blvd., Virginia Beach, Virginia on 08/29/00 at 1:00 P.M., the property with improvements to wit: ALL THAT certain lot, piece or parcel of land with the buildings and improvements thereon, and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, lying, situate and being in the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, and being known, numbered and designated as Lot 1, in Block CC as shown on that certain plat entitled "Subdivision of Northridge, Section One" which said plat is duly recorded in the clerk's office of the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia in Map Book 141 at Page 13. IT BEING the same property that was conveyed to the grantors herein by deed of R.G. Moore Building

Continued On Page 5

Continued From Page 4

Corp., a Virginia Corporation, dated June 2, 1982 and duly recorded in the aforesaid Clerk's Office in Deed Book 2203 at Page 889.

TERMS OF SALE: ALL CASH. A bidder's deposit of 10% of the sale price will be required in cash, certified or cashier's check. Settlement within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Trustees may forfeit deposit. Additional terms to be announced at sale.

Loan Type: VA
Trustee's File No.: L62246VIR
Substitute Trustee:
DRAPER & GOLDBERG,
PLLC

750 Miller Drive, Suite C-1
Leesburg, Virginia 20175
(703) 777-7101
Email: kelling@draggold.com

29-3
418-11

Public Notice

Virginia:
The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Virginia Beach will be held in the School Board Room, School Administration Building, 2512 George Mason Drive, Building 6, Municipal Center, Princess Anne Station, Virginia Beach, Virginia, on Tuesday, August 8, 2000 at 2:00 p.m., at which time the following applications will be heard:

CHANGE OF ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION:
DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE

1. An Ordinance upon Application of PAW, L.L.C., a Virginia limited liability company for a Change of Zoning District Classification from AG-1 Agricultural District to Conditional R-10 Residential District on certain property located 1420 feet or less north of Princess Anne Road beginning at a point 700 feet more or less west of Seaboard Road (GPIN #2404-45-8213). The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional R-10 is for single family residential land use on lots no less than 10,000 square feet. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for residential use at or below 3.5 dwelling units per acre at densities that are compatible with single family use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 20,000 square feet. **DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.**

SUBDIVISION/VARIANCE:
2. Appeal to Decisions of Administrative Officers in regard to certain elements of the Subdivision Ordinance, Subdivision for Alice O. Shurtz. Property is located on the west side of Princess Anne Road, 1367 feet north of Pleasant Ridge Road (GPIN #2402-73-7086). **DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.**

3. Appeal to Decisions of Administrative Officers in regard to certain elements of the Subdivision Ordinance and City Zoning Ordinance, Subdivision for Frank T. Williams Farms. Property is located on the east side of Princess Anne Road, 300 feet more or less south of Old Pungo Ferry Road (GPIN #2309-73-5629; #2309-93-1026; #2309-93-7637; #2319-22-3454; #2319-04-2543; #2309-85-9370; #2309-95-5853; #2319-16-9062. Part of #2319-19-2021). **DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.**

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT:
4. An Ordinance upon Application of Frank T. Williams Farms for a Conditional Use Permit for an Alternative Residential Development on certain property located on the east side of Princess Anne Road beginning at a point 300 feet more or less south of Old Pungo Ferry Road (GPIN #2309-73-5629; #2309-93-1026; #2309-93-7637; #2319-22-3454; #2319-04-2543; #2309-85-9370; #2309-95-5853; #2319-16-9062. Part of #2319-19-2021). Said parcel contains 455 acres more or less. **DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.**

CHANGE OF ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION:
DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE

5. An Ordinance upon Application of Ali Hambar for a Change of Zoning District Classification from R-3D Residential Duplex District to Conditional B-2 Community Business District on certain property located at the northeast corner of Princess Anne Road and Baxter Road (GPIN #1476-07-5853; #1476-07-3730; #1476-07-3692). The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional B-2 is for commercial land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for suburban residential/medium and high densities that are compatible with single family use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 2.19 acres. **DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.**

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT:
6. An Ordinance upon Application of Ali Hambar for an auto-

motive service station and car wash on certain property located at the northeast corner of Princess Anne Road and Baxter Road (GPIN #1476-07-5853; #1476-07-3730; #1476-07-3692). Said parcel contains 1.2 acres. **DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.**

DISTRICT 4 - BAYSIDE

7. An Ordinance upon Application of Julie A. Phipps for a Conditional Use Permit for an outdoor recreational facility (skate ramp) on Lot 63 Section 1, Thoroughgood (GPIN #1479-81-2081). Said parcel is located at 4204 Ewell Road and contains 1 acre more or less. **DISTRICT 4 - BAYSIDE.**

DISTRICT 6 - BEACH

8. An Ordinance upon Application of Asset Channels Inc., for a Conditional Use Permit for a Fiber-Optics Transmission Facility on certain property located at the northern extremity of Distribution Drive. Said parcel contains 5.895 acres. **DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.**

9. An Ordinance upon Application of Richmond 10 MHz, LLC, d/b/a PrimeCo Personal Communications for a Conditional Use Permit for a communications tower on certain property located at the northwest corner of Dam Neck Road and Hanners Road (GPIN #2405-05-2030). Said parcel contains 9.87 acres. **DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.**

AMENDMENTS:

10. An Ordinance to amend and reorganize Section 106 of the City Zoning Ordinance pertaining to Reduction of Appeal Time for Certain Offenses of a Short-Term Duration.

11. An Ordinance to amend Section 1601 of the Coastal Primary Sand Dune Zoning Ordinance pertaining to the definition of a Coastal Primary Sand Dune.

12. An Ordinance to amend the City Zoning Ordinance pertaining to shopping center identification signs.

13. An Ordinance upon Application of the City of Virginia Beach to amend the Site Plan Ordinance pertaining to fees and procedures for floodplain variances.

All interested parties are invited to attend.

Ruth Hodges Smith, MMC
City Clerk
If you are physically disabled or visually impaired and need assistance at this meeting, please call the CITY CLERK'S OFFICE at 427-4037; Hearing impaired, call TDD only 427-4305 (TDD - Telephonic Device for the Deaf).

29-6
217-28

Public Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
The Virginia Beach Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, August 9, 2000 at 12:00 Noon in the School Board Room, School Administration Building, 2512 George Mason Drive, Building 6, Municipal Center, Virginia Beach, Virginia. A briefing session will be held at 9:00 a.m. in the City Manager's Conference Room, City Hall Building. **PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION IS NOT A FINAL DETERMINATION OF THE APPLICATION, BUT ONLY A RECOMMENDATION TO THE CITY COUNCIL AS THE VIEWPOINT OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION. FINAL DETERMINATION OF THE APPLICATION IS TO BE MADE BY CITY COUNCIL AT A LATER DATE, AFTER PUBLIC NOTICE IN A NEWSPAPER HAVING GENERAL CIRCULATION WITHIN THE CITY.**

THOSE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC INTERESTED IN ATTENDING THE PUBLIC HEARING SHOULD BE ADVISED THAT, FOR REASONS THE PLANNING COMMISSION DEEMS APPROPRIATE, CERTAIN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA MAY BE HEARD OUT OF ORDER AND THAT IT SHOULD NOT BE ASSUMED THAT THE ORDER LISTED BELOW WILL BE EXACTLY FOLLOWED DURING THE PUBLIC HEARING.

The staff reviews of some or all of the items on this agenda suggest that certain conditions be attached to approval by City Council. However, it should not be assumed that those conditions constitute all the conditions that will ultimately be attached to the project. Staff agencies may impose further conditions and requirements during administration of applicable city ordinances.

SUBDIVISION/VARIANCE:
1. Appeal to Decisions of Administrative Officers in regard to certain elements of the Subdivision Ordinance, Subdivision for Mark Leach. Property is located on Lot 43A, Albermarle Lane. **DISTRICT 5 - LYNNHAVEN.**

2. Appeal to Decisions of Administrative Officers in regard to certain elements of the Subdivision Ordinance, Subdivision for Mansfield Farm LLC (GPIN #1389-72-5323; #1389-71-5307; #1398-01-0478). Property is located on the

west side of Blackwater Road across from Pungo Ferry Road. **DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.**

CHANGE OF ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION:

3. An Ordinance upon Application of Matt J. Marshall, Jr., for a Change of Zoning District Classification from B-1 Neighborhood Business District to Conditional B-1A Limited Community Business District on certain property located at the southwest corner of Dam Neck Road and London Bridge Road (GPIN #2405-04-5104). The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional B-1A is for light commercial land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for retail and other compatible uses that are compatible with serving surrounding neighborhoods in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 2.290 acres. **DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.**

4. An Ordinance upon Application of Treestone Building Corp., for a Change of Zoning District Classification from R-20 Residential District to Conditional A-12 Apartment District on Site 82, Linkwood Park (GPIN #2418-92-2503). The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional A-12 is for multi-family land use at a density no greater than 12 dwelling units per acre. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for suburban residential/low densities that are compatible with single family use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel is located at 3202 Holly Road and contains 1.183 acres. **DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.**

5. An Ordinance upon Application of Edward Amenda & Michael Yoder and George & Mildred McGuire for a Change of Zoning District Classification from R-40 Residential District to R-7.5 Residential District on Lots 128-A and 152-A, Hollies on the Atlantic Ocean (GPIN #2418-77-8789; #2418-77-9689). The proposed zoning classification change to R-7.5 is for single family residential land use on lots no less than 7,500 square feet. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for suburban residential/low density area planned for residential use or below 3.5 dwelling units per acre at densities that are compatible with single family use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel is located at 412 48th Street and contains 7,773 square feet. **DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.**

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT:

6. An Ordinance upon Application of Bonney Bright for a Conditional Use Permit for a borrow pit expansion on property located on the east side of Princess Anne Road beginning at a point 2,172 feet south of the intersection with Pocahontas Club Road (GPIN #2317-62-1327; #2317-72-3259; #2317-61-2520). Said parcel contains 162 acres. **DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.**

7. An Ordinance upon Application of Timothy D. MacDonald for a Conditional Use Permit for a church on the south side of Virginia Beach Boulevard east of Davis Street (GPIN #1467-47-4613). Said parcel is located at 5465-D Virginia Beach Boulevard and contains 38,637.7 square feet. **DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.**

8. An Ordinance upon Application of Calvary Assembly of God for a Conditional Use Permit for a church expansion (family life center building) on the south side of Providence Road, 560 feet west of Luke Drive (GPIN #1466-92-7005). Said parcel is located at 4925 Providence Road and contains 4.39 acres. **DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.**

9. An Ordinance upon Application of David J. Rogers for a Conditional Use Permit for motor vehicle sales (autos) at the northeast corner of S. Military Highway and Alexandria Avenue (GPIN #1456-26-5063). Said parcel is located at 792 S. Military Highway and contains 29,914 square feet. **DISTRICT 1 - CENTERVILLE.**

10. An Ordinance upon Application of Tidewater Imports, Inc., Hall Auto World Body Shop for a Conditional Use Permit for an automobile repair facility on certain property located at the southeast corner of Butternut Lane and unimproved Second Street (GPIN #1487-43-7783; #1487-43-7488; #1473-43-8402; #1473-43-9417; #1473-43-4433; #1473-43-5477; #1473-43-4330; #1473-43-5375; #1473-43-5380; #1473-43-5287). **DISTRICT 3 - ROSE HALL.**

STREET CLOSURE:

11. Application of Kenneth A. Hall & S&S Enterprises, a Virginia general partnership, for the discontinuance, closure and abandonment of the following street:

Second Street: beginning at the western boundary of Butternut Lane and running in an easterly direction to the western boundary of Spruce Street.

Second Street: beginning at the eastern boundary of Spruce Street and running in an easterly direction to the western boundary of Pine Street.

Spruce Street: beginning at a point 400 feet more or less south of Bonney Road and running in a southerly direction to the northern boundary of Interstate #264. Said parcels contain 1,037 acres. **DISTRICT 3 - ROSE HALL.**

12. Application of Ira L. & Helen M. Fisk, Trustees, for the discontinuance, closure and abandonment of Waring Street beginning on the west side of Avalon Avenue and running in a westerly direction a distance of 589 feet more or less. Said street is variable in width and contains 34,333 square feet. **DISTRICT 1 - CENTERVILLE.**

AMENDMENT TO THE LAND USE PLAN

13. An Ordinance upon Application of Wawa, Inc., for an Amendment To The Green Run Land Use Plan to allow an automobile service station (fuel sales) in conjunction with a convenience store at the northeast corner of Lynnhaven Parkway and Windmill Point Crescent (GPIN #1485-58-0184). Said parcels contain 2.30 acres. **DISTRICT 3 - ROSE HALL.**

AMENDMENTS:

14. An Ordinance upon Application of the City of Virginia Beach to amend Section 301 of the City Zoning Ordinance pertaining to permitted uses in the P-1 Preservation District.

15. An Ordinance upon Application of the City of Virginia Beach to amend Section 203 of the City Zoning Ordinance by deleting the requirement that parking surfaces have an all-weather surface.

DEFERRED BY PLANNING COMMISSION ON 7/12/00:

16. An Ordinance upon Application of the Catholic Diocese of Richmond for a Change of Zoning District Classification from AG-2 Agricultural District to Conditional O-2 Office District on certain property located on the west side of General Booth Boulevard beginning at a point 470 feet more or less north of London Bridge Road (GPIN #2414-19-3648). The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional O-2 is for office land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for suburban residential/low density at densities that are compatible with single family use in accordance with other land policies. Said parcel contains 6,290 acres. **DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.**

17. An Ordinance upon Application of the Catholic Diocese of Richmond for a Conditional Use Permit for an Independent Living

Facility for Seniors on certain property located on the west side of General Booth Boulevard beginning at a point 470 feet more or less north of London Bridge Road (GPIN #2414-19-3648). Said parcel contains 6,290 acres. **DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.**

18. An Ordinance upon Application of Woodfin Heating, Inc., for a Conditional Use Permit for an automobile service station (fuel sales) on certain property located at the northeast corner of Lynnhaven Parkway and Southern Boulevard (GPIN #1497-54-7354; #1497-54-6254). Said parcel contains 41,295 square feet. **DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.**

19. An Ordinance upon Application of Ocean Tide Associates for a Change of Zoning District Classification from B-4 Resort Commercial District to A-18 Apartment District with a PD-H2 Planned Unit Development Overlay on certain property located at the southwest corner of Shore Drive and Jade Street on Lots 1 through 8, Block 7, Plat of Lynnhaven Shores (GPIN #1489-99-3266; #1489-99-4365; #1489-99-5463). The proposed zoning classification change to A-18 with a PD-H2 Overlay is for multi-family land use at a density no greater than 18 dwelling units per acre. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for resort uses including lodging, retail, entertainment, recreational, cultural, and other uses in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 1.02 acres. **DISTRICT 5 - LYNNHAVEN.**

20. An Ordinance upon Application of James H. Salmons, Jr., for a Change of Zoning District Classification from AG-1 & AG-2 Agricultural Districts to I-2 Heavy Industrial District on the west side of Princess Anne Road, 4040 feet more or less north of Pungo Ferry Road (GPIN #2309-37-6009). The proposed zoning classification change to I-2 is for heavy industrial land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for farming, forestry, rural residential and other rural compatible uses in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel is located at 773 Princess Anne Road and contains 18.6 acres. **DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.**

21. An Ordinance upon Application of Commercial Investment Properties, L.L.C., for an amendment to the Green Run Land Use Plan to allow fuel sales in conjunction with a convenience store at the southwest intersection of Buckner Boulevard and S. Rosemont Road (GPIN #1485-65-6406). Said parcel contains 1.6 acres. **DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.**

22. An Ordinance upon Application

tion of Armada/Hoffler Holding Company for a modification of proffers placed on the application for a change of zoning from A-12 and B-2 to Conditional B-2 on June 14, 1994 (GPIN #2415-56-9501, #2415-56-7275; #2415-56-6099, #2415-55-6902, #2415-55-5734, #2415-55-4556, #2415-55-6525, #2415-55-7523, #2415-66-2541). Property is located at the northeast corner of Dam Neck Road and General Booth Boulevard. **DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.**

23. Application of Armada/Hoffler Holding Company for the discontinuance, closure and abandonment of Dam Neck Station Road beginning on the eastern boundary of General Booth Boulevard and running in an easterly direction to the eastern terminus. Said parcel is variable in width and contains 1.366 acres. **DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.**

24. An Ordinance upon Application of Clark Wheelright Company for a Change of Zoning District Classification from AG-1 & AG-2 Agricultural District to Conditional R-10 Residential District on certain property located on the north and south sides of Proposed Ferrell Parkway beginning at a point 200 feet more or less west of Piney Park Drive (GPIN #2404-37-1633, #2404-36-1191, #2404-36-4943). The proposed zoning classification change to R-10 is for single family residential land use on lots no less than 10,000 square feet. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for suburban residential at low densities that are compatible with single family use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 183.32 acres more or less. **DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.**

All interested parties are invited to attend.

Robert J. Scott
Planning Director
Copies of the proposed ordinances, resolution and amendments are on file and may be examined in the Department of Planning. For information call 427-4621.

If you are physically disabled or visually impaired and need assistance at this meeting, please call the CITY CLERK'S OFFICE at 427-4303. Hearing impaired, call: TDD only 427-4305. (TDD - Telephonic Device for the Deaf).

The Planning Commission Agenda is available on the City's Internet Home Page on the Thursday prior to each regularly-scheduled meeting at www.virginia-beach.va.us/cityhall/dept/Boards/pc_agendas.htm

29-4
217-28

If You Have or Had a Life Insurance Policy of \$2000 or Less, a Burial Policy, a Health Policy, or a Similar Type of Insurance Policy From:

Equitable Life
Gulf Life
Home Beneficial Life
Home States Life
Independent Life
Interstate Life
Knight's Life
Life and Casualty Insurance Co.

National Life and Accident

and other insurance companies now owned by
American General Life and Accident

You May Be Entitled To Valuable Benefits, including:

- Lower Life Insurance Payments
- Free Additional Life Insurance
- in some instances, a Cash Payment.

These benefits are from the settlement of a lawsuit involving the insurance companies and types of insurance policies described above. You are not being sued. You may have important legal rights under this settlement that may be affected and some of which you must act on by August 24, 2000.

To find out more about the settlement, these benefits, and your legal rights, call: (Please have policy number available, if possible.)

1-800-681-4944

FOR TDD/TTY, CALL:

1-800-477-0959

or write to:

Industrial Life Class Action Administration Center
P.O. Box 1628
Minneapolis, MN 55440-1628

Rescuers strut stuff

Continued From Page 1

have questions about anything at all on or about the beach, do not hesitate to ask a lifeguard. That's what they are there for, and it's better to be safe than sorry.

"Please, keep an eye on your children at all times," he urged. "They are very quick, and they can get away from you in a moment's notice. Tell them what stand you are near, and if they get lost, to go to a lifeguard stand. The lifeguards will hold them until you come looking for them."

"As far as accidents go, this has been a very safe summer," said Gill, a 10-year veteran of the service, after the demonstration.

"We've had a few incidents, such as rafts being blown out too far, but overall it's been fairly calm. The west wind has kept the waves to a minimum, so it may not be great for the surfers, but it's good

for us.

Later in the show, a Coast Guard helicopter would be used to demonstrate another type of rescue.

"The VBLS doesn't have our own helicopter," said Gill. "We're not 'Baywatch' just yet. We just have some wave runners that we use in instances that the swimmers get out to far. Our job is protective lifeguarding."

During the boat team's demonstration, the helicopter flew very close to the water (causing large waves around it), and communicated with a nearby boat, aiding in the rescue of another victim. Over the loudspeakers, listeners were able to hear the entire communication.

"We help boaters in distress, and handle body removal when drownings occur," explained Helen Hodge of the Virginia Beach Dive Rescue Team. "We also get cars out of water, such as when people acci-

dentally drive into lakes and such. We use balloons to get under them and float them up.

"I've been with the rescue squad for eight years," said Hodge, "but this is my second year on the dive team. We can tow people back to shore, or give them first aid during medical emergencies."

For the dive team's demonstration, a member swam into the water, and the boat team demonstrated their manner of bringing victims onto a boat.

"It's difficult to bring people out of the water, and directly onto a boat, with all the bending over and carrying," explained Hodge.

"They have three people in the boat, and they help to grab the person as the boat turns very quickly. When we have several people in the water, we try to get as many boats out there as possible, with the Coast Guard's help if possible."

On track for the Olympics

Continued From Page 1

The weight training can add one or two hours to his lifting and running regimen.

This grueling regimen has Wells declaring, "I'm in the best shape of my life."

The Colony Club Resort in the Bahamas currently sponsors Wells, so that he can train full-time. They have provided Wells with a monthly stipend so he can devote enough time to train for the Olympic Games.

Wells' top performance to date came at the 1995 World Championships in Gothenburg, Sweden. This event features the same cast as the Olympics and occurs every two years. He advanced to the semifinals of the 100-meter dash, finishing with a time of 10.18 seconds. During his heat, Wells outpaced Maurice Green, widely regarded as the "fastest man on the planet."

Since 1995, Wells has qualified for every world championship. For the track-and-field layperson, 100-meter and 200-meter dash times are difficult to translate into real numbers. A more universally understood time is the 40-yard dash, especially for football fans. The National Football League scouts utilize 40-yard dash times in assessing whether an incoming player has the requisite speed to play a position.

Saying Wells would be a speedster in NFL is an understatement.

He has run a 3.99 40-yard dash. That time would make him the fastest player in the NFL, the NBA, or Major League Baseball. Deion Sanders ran one of the fastest times ever by an athlete in one of the big three sports. His time of 4.21 seconds lags far behind Wells' sub-4.00 time.

Wells' story is not without its share of bumps in the road. In 1996, just a month-and-a-half before the 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanta, Wells re-injured a hamstring, setting back his training timetable. Somehow, he was able to compete, but failed to duplicate his feat at the World Championships of advancing to the semifinals. He finished fourth in his heat that summer. Only the top three advance to the next round.

Immediately after crossing the finish line, Wells began to think about his future.

HELP RENDWARD

Help Rendward Wells compete in the 2000 Summer Olympics in Sydney, Australia Sept. 15. Donations are being accepted at Bank of the Commonwealth, 1870 Kempsville Rd., Virginia Beach, VA 23464. Rendward Wells is a second-year divinity student at Regent University and a resident of Virginia Beach.

Also, a fundraising banquet will be held Aug. 25 at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$50. Call 523-2038 for reservations.

"I didn't want to get up," Wells said. "I said Lord, let me run this race again someday. That was when Coach (Steve) Riddick came up to me and said he would like to coach me."

Shortly thereafter, Wells saw Pat Robertson on the Christian Broadcasting Network, and began to think about Regent University. Simultaneously, he inquired to Riddick about the distance to Regent from Norfolk State, where Riddick coached at the time. After hearing of their close proximity, and prayerfully considering his future, Wells decided to come to Regent. "The Holy Spirit was saying to me that was where I needed to be."

Even before the adversity he faced in 1996, Wells had traveled a circuitous route to the top. Born in the capital city of Nassau, Wells was sent to live with his grandparents on the rural island of Andros, a settlement of 800 people.

While Wells grew up on subsistence farming, his grandfather was a fisherman who traveled to different islands in search of the best fishing. The family grew corn, sugarcane, peas and sweet potatoes.

The story of how Wells began running is interesting. The Bahamian government had paved the roads around the country, but there were relatively few cars to travel them. As a result, favorite pastime for children was racing in the streets.

Rendward Wells moved back to Nassau with his father in 1983 at the age of 13, although he had never met him before. At the time, his father was a vice-president for Citibank. At 15, he and his father watched a track meet on television,

and Wells remarked to his dad that he could beat the athletes on television.

He thought I was joking, and he dared me to go out to an interhouse meet and I went out and beat them handily. The next year (1987) I competed nationally."

In 1989, Wells left the Bahamas for college in the United States at Boise State in Idaho. As a freshman, Wells dominated the Big Sky Conference by winning the 100 and 200-meter races and running for the title-winning 4x100-meter relay team.

He eventually transferred to UCLA, where he qualified for the NCAA championships, but cracked his pelvis prior to the event. Doctors informed Wells that he would never run competitively again.

After a year of contemplation in his wilderness of the Bahamas, Wells said that he needed to be somewhere else.

"LA was a testing time for my Christian convictions," Wells said. "It was a very, very liberal place... I ever questioned something, people jumped on me. I felt like an outsider. I could only relate to other athletes."

The following year, Wells enrolled at Oral Roberts University in Tulsa, Oklahoma. A best friend and his girlfriend, who both attended ORU at the time, aided Wells' decision to attend ORU.

Whatever the doctors had seen in his fractured pelvis three years earlier, was now gone. "I had had severe pain from that injury... there was a crack in my spine and it didn't heal to where I could put pressure on it. I was only jogging on a beach (over that time)."

In 1994, Wells ran a 20.06 200-meter dash for ORU, the fastest time in the NCAA that year. But, unfortunately for Wells, the injury bug bit him again, this time in the form of a strained hamstring prior to the NCAA championships.

"I began to see that God is in control of everything."

Throughout the ups-and-downs of his career, Wells' one constant has been his faith in God. Because of that, neither success nor failure on the track of life will define Rendward Wells. While his fellow School of Divinity students may see Wells as a future minister who studies scripture and prepares sermons, Wells will spend his summer as a "minister of speed" at the Olympic Games in Sydney.



SUMMER DREAMING. The ACTS Series at Regent University will present "A Midsummer Night's Dream" with a twist — it stars only five people — beginning this weekend.

This 'Midsummer's Night Dream will have you spinning around

The ACTS Series at Regent University announces the debut of the five-person adaptation of William Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream."

Adapted by recent Regent graduate Joseph Frost and directed by Steven Broyles, this version of "A Midsummer Night's Dream" uses only five people to play the 20 roles. The fairies, lovers and players all have a unique style and creativity to make them distinct characters. This adaptation presents an exclusive portrayal of this innovative Shakespearean play. Full of quick cos-

tume changes, inventive characters, fairies and lovers and all that you would expect in "A Midsummer Night's Dream."

Performances are Friday, July 21-23 and 28-30 at 8 p.m. All performances will be held in the Library Atrium at Regent University. The new location will give more mystery and intrigue to this show.

The Regent University Theatre is located on Indian River Rd. at exit 286B off Interstate 64. Tickets are \$7 for general admission and \$5 for senior citizens over 60 and students (unless otherwise

noted). Group rates are available. To make your reservations call 226-4245.

The Arts Celebration and Theatre Summer Series is a graduate student organization founded in 1996 which produces shows for The Regent University Theatre's summer season. The ACTS Series strives to challenge the students of Regent University to continue their education throughout the summer months. The ACTS Series is also dedicated to bringing affordable theatrical entertainment of the highest caliber to Hampton Roads audiences.

Actress come home for role

Continued From Page 1

like that," she said.

Graduating from the Governor's School for the Arts here, the petite Coker headed off to New York immediately and got two shows under her belt. After a Western Pennsylvania production of "No No Nannette" closed, the next day she started rehearsals for a New York show.

"I drove 10 hours through the night," she remembered. "We did rehearsals for two weeks, then went on the road for 10 months. When we did the last show in San Diego, I flew here to be here by Monday for rehearsal at VMT."

Coker learned about the VMT production — her old stomping grounds — while perusing the online version of *Backstage*, the theater's equivalent of *Variety* magazine. Director Jeff Meredith was happy to welcome Coker home and into the role of Rizzo.

Coker, who's been acting since age 10, relishes the role which has been played by Brooke Shields and Rosie O'Donnell onstage, and Stockard Channing in the movie version.

"Most people want to play her as really masculine. I think she's tough, but there's also this girly, feminine side to her. People want to play her as such a witch, but there is so much more to her. People just have to like her,"

Coker said.

She's playing Rizzo, the leader of "The Pink Ladies," as sarcastic with a sensitive side.

"I'm really a lot like her," Coker admitted. "If I just play myself, I'm good. She's not necessarily a tomboy, but one of the guys. She does have this wall

fact, based on real people, said Coker, and she heard that Rizzo was the one character who never changed. Coker imagined at the 30-year reunion she walked in wearing tight leopard-skin clothes with her strong-willed attitude. She's optimistic the woman eventually got married, though not necessarily to Kenickie.

And at her 30-year reunion, what kind of future does Coker predict for herself? For the 4'10" actress who has had to struggle with the typecasting of "pixie" or "kid" parts, she doesn't exactly want to be famous.

But she would like to be respected in the industry.

"Have you ever heard of Karen Zamba? She's respected in the theater community and won a Tony last year. Musical theater knows her. Broadway knows her. But not the world. That's what I want. She's the one who goes in and replaces all the big stars," she explained. "She's humble, yet probably much more talented than any of these big names."

Coker would also like to find some stability eventually, though in the theater world it's of a different kind. Her current dream is that "Grease" ran just a while longer than two weeks.

"Because you get more comfortable with your role," she explained.

And it is, after all, nice to be home for a while.

CHECK IT OUT

"Grease" is the word at the Virginia Beach Pavilion as Virginia Musical Theatre presents this Broadway classic through Sunday.

Performances are Friday, 8 p.m.; Saturday, 8 p.m.; and Sunday, 2 p.m.

Tickets are \$20-\$30 adults, children 16 and under \$10. For reservations call, 340-5446.

she puts up that nothing bothers her, but it does." At the end of the show you see that."

One of Coker's greatest joys in playing Rizzo is the character's relationship with her boyfriend, Kenickie, portrayed by Gary Steven Martin.

"It's funny. The type of relationship we have is that the more we antagonize one another, the more we like each other. It's fun."

The '50s-era rock 'n' roll is, in



Photo by Victoria Hucht

STRETCHED FOR SUCCESS. Regent divinity student Rendward Wells is bound for Australia to compete in the 2000 Olympics.



Teaming up to fight cancer

A partnership between Virginia Beach area McDonald's restaurants and Southern Trust Mortgage raised more than \$2,000 for the American Cancer Society. The two companies teamed up to promote special mornings where a percentage of the McDonald's breakfast sales were donated to the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life. A check presentation ceremony was held at the restaurant at Strawbridge Shopping Center. Participating, from left, were: Tracy Thomas, McDonald's manager; Jerry Flowers, Southern Trust Mortgage president; Michele Crouch, American Cancer Society; Paul Smith, McDonald's owner; and Fred Remade, Southern Trust Mortgage assistant vice president.

Purposeful play

The Kempsville Area Library, 832 Kempsville Rd., presents Pat Sears, Virginia Beach Public Schools early childhood coordinator, with a "Purposeful Preschool Play" demonstration. Designed specifically for day care providers, Sears will demonstrate a variety of fun and simple activities to enhance children's social and cognitive development, and their fine motor and gross motor skills on Monday, Aug. 21 from 7 to 8 p.m. Participants will receive a packet of materials and a list of picture books related to the program. Call 495-1016 to register, beginning July 31 and ending Aug. 18. Participation is limited to 40 adults.

Used book sale set

The Friends of the Virginia Beach Public Library will hold their Semi-Annual Used Book Sale from 5 to 8 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 26 and from noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 27 at the Virginia Beach Pavilion in Virginia Beach. Books available will cover all subjects and prices are low (\$1 for hardback books; 50 cents for paperback books). Admission is free and there is no limit to the number of books that can be purchased. For more information call, 427-4321.

Playback Theatre

Playback Theatre will present "The Stories of Your Life" Friday, July 28 at 8 p.m. Playback is live, interactive, improvisational theatre where audience members become listeners and storytellers. As stories are told, Playback performers listen, and then play back the stories, using a variety of sound, music, movement, living "sculptures" and short dramas. The show will be held at the Heritage Center, second floor, rear entrance, 314 Laskin Rod. Admission is \$6 adults, \$4 children and seniors. Call 428-0110 to reserve.

Wet Set

Come to Kempsville Recreation Center's "Wet Set" pool party on Sunday, Aug. 6 from 2 to 2:30 p.m. Enjoy games and treats. Prizes will be awarded. Register before July 30. The cost is \$1 per person. Open to all ages, a membership card or day pass required.

Bad Girls perform

The award-winning Bad Girls country line dance team of Chesapeake will be performing at the Knotts Island Peach Festival on Saturday, July 29 at 12:30 p.m. The team has performed at other festivals, most recently at the Chesapeake Jubilee, but this will be the first opportunity to perform at this festival. The team has performed at the concerts of national country artists Clay Walker and Ty Herndon. The Bad Girls have taken home honors at competitions in New York City, Baltimore, Washington, D.C. and Nashville, among others. They have also been involved with many charity events such as Marine Corps Toys for Tots and March of Dimes. For more information on the team or on bookings call Dihann, 548-3794.

Ladies hoop it up!

Bayside Community Recreation Center will hold a Women's Basketball Program beginning Sunday, Oct. 8 from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Six games and end of the season tournament guaranteed. Prizes will be awarded. Women are 18 and up are welcome to participate. The cost is \$150 per team. Membership card or a day pass required. Registration deadline is Friday, Sept. 29. For additional information contact Bayside Recreation Center, 460-7540.

Benefit golf

Honey Bee Golf Club in Virginia Beach will be the site of Planned Parenthood's third annual golf tournament on Aug. 16. The annual event benefits "Responsible Choices" about reproductive health, sexuality and parenthood as a freedom for both women and men. The entry fee is \$100 and includes a continental breakfast, cart, green fee, range balls, lunch, awards and prizes. Space is limited. Interested golfers call Cathy, 826-2198.

Encore auditions

The Encore Players will hold auditions for the captivating and lively turn-of-the-century musical "Meet Me In St. Louis" on Monday, Aug. 14 from 4 to 10 p.m. at the Naval Amphibious Base Theater, Little Creek. Auditions are open to active duty military, retirees, military family members and base employees. A customer, orchestra members and stage crew are also needed. For appointments and information call 460-5152.

New sheriff in town sets goals, challenges for Beach office

Chief deputy Lantagne appt. becomes official Tuesday

By Victoria Hecht
Editor

Come Tuesday, there'll be a new sheriff in town — and he's not waiting until "high noon" to get familiar with the job.

Paul Lantagne, Virginia Beach chief deputy since 1994, will fill the unexpired term of Sheriff Frank Drew until Dec. 31, 2001.

But he hopes to be around longer than that. Lantagne promises to run for the office in next year's election.

"I guess we're one of the best examples of 'opposites attract,'" explained Lantagne, who has worked alongside Drew for 25 years in the Beach police department and later,

sheriff's office.

"It's kind of a unique relationship. Personality-wise, I'm much more quiet and he's more outgoing. He has always been the Democrat, and I've always been the Republican. We're different, but we complement each other. I'm not just a 'yes' person, and it's worked well over the last few years.

Drew's pick to fill his unexpired term, Lantagne does have one thing in common with the sheriff. Both are determined to maintain the reputation which the Beach office has built since Drew came onboard as sheriff in 1989.

"Things back then weren't so rosy.

□ See A, Page 4



NEW SHERIFF IN TOWN. Chief Deputy Paul Lantagne took over as Virginia Beach sheriff Tuesday upon the retirement of Sheriff Frank Drew.



KICKING HIS HEELS UP. Virginia Beach Outstanding Young Citizen Patrick Shuler is as unassuming as they come. He simply likes to help others and donate a large portion of his time to that end. He is a partner in Strickland and Associates.

An 'outstanding' individual

Beach CPA wins Jaycees' top accolade

By Victoria Hecht
Editor

Virginia Beach Outstanding Young Citizen Patrick Shuler can be better described with a more common term.

He's simply a "nice guy" who typifies that good things can happen to good people.

The 37-year-old Shuler recently earned the Outstanding Young

Citizen designation from the Virginia Beach Jaycees. The accolade came as a total surprise to the affable certified public accountant.

He'd never even heard of the honor.

"What I do is live to help people," said Shuler, who was named a partner in Strickland and Associates earlier this year. "Anybody who knows me probably chuckles when they hear about this (award)."

He was nominated for the recognition by Debbie Mollura, owner of Creative Gifts Galore and a client of Shuler's.

"Since I met Pat, I have found him to be professional, knowledgeable,

witty and helpful — an all-around great guy," said Mollura. "And it's amazing what he knows about running a business."

Shuler said helping others "gets me going" and believes that everyone should do the same. That philosophy follows him in work and his extracurricular activities.

A 1985 graduate of Old Dominion University, Shuler found public accounting was the best way he could utilize his talents and assist others.

Fresh out of school, he went into public accounting until 1993, then

□ See SHULER, Page 4

Island gears up for peach of a festival

Annual salute to summer's sweet fruit this weekend

By Megan B. Rowe
Correspondent

What has a fruit theme, features live entertainment, children's rides, arts and crafts and a parade? If you guessed the Pungo Strawberry Festival, you're wrong. Knotts Island's 11th annual Peach Festival, featuring many popular peach dishes, will be held Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 6 p.m. at the Ruritan Park.

If you're looking for live entertainment, you can find plenty of it here.

"We have an assortment," said chairman Jan Smith. "Line dances, a gospel group, a country band — just an assortment."

There will be performances by the bands Quality Time and Southern Brand, as well as an Elvis impersonator. Line dances will be performed by the Wannabees and the Bad Girls.

The festival will also feature arts and crafts, a petting zoo with children's rides, and demonstrations by Virginia Medieval Art's Association. The festival will also feature a peach queen and court parade.

"Although we don't know who the queen will be until Tuesday," said Smith. The parade will be Saturday at 10 a.m.

"We're trying to keep it like a fair. The members of the Ruritan Club have also donated prizes for two different raffles. One will be for a grand prize of a lawnmower, and the second prize is a party cruise on the Carnival, and third prize is a stereo. The other raffle features a homemade quilt made by the members of the Ruritan Club.

"We're trying to keep it simple this year. When you put on a festival for

□ See ISLAND, Page 8

Ft. Story dedicates new First Landing Chapel

By Jason Norman
Correspondent

On April 26, 1607, the first permanent English settlers landed in Virginia. Following their arrival, the new visitors planted a large wooden cross to give thanks for their successful journey.

Nearly four centuries later, on July 17, the First Landing Chapel was dedicated at Fort Story in Virginia Beach. More than 12,000 square feet in size, the chapel has a seating capacity of 400. There are individual chaplain offices, classrooms, nurseries, a kitchen, and other administrative spaces. For importantly, however, is the facility's ability to serve the needs of virtually any religion, from Sunday school to the Sabbath.

Before the dedication ceremony, many gathered outside the new place of worship to see the ribbon-cutting. Congressman Owen Pickett used a large pair of scissors to signify a new beginning for religious folk in the area.

Once inside the church, Fort Story Post Chaplain James Palmer welcomed the crowd.

"We of the Fort Story community are honored to be here today," he began. "This building was created to house all religions, making it possible for all of us to worship. It is truly history in the making."

Immediately afterward, members of the audience were given their first chance to participate in the ceremony, taking part in the morning's invocation.

"Eternal God, high and holy, no building can contain your glory or display the wonders of your love," the hundreds in attendance recited. "Let this chapel, O Father, stand as a sign of your spirit at work here in ministry to your children and for your glory."

Palmer read the litany of dedication for the church, allowing the audience another chance to take part.

"To the glory of God, who has called us by His grace, and loved us with unfailing love, and reveals His way to us by His word," he read.

"We dedicate this church," the people

□ See FORT, Page 4



CUT! Congressman Owen Pickett joins military officials for the ribbon-cutting ceremony during the dedication of the new First Landing Chapel at Fort Story.

Commentary

APPEAL FOR FUNDS

Help others cool it

No doubt about it, the dog days are upon us. August looms. Welcome to the annual heat wave that is Hampton Roads in the summer.

Most folks complain about the heat when they're outdoors, but rest assured knowing that they can always go home and "chill out" in the air conditioning.

Some people, however, don't have that option. Air conditioning to them isn't a necessity, it's a luxury — one they can't afford.

The recent heat wave has brought to the forefront the plight of many senior citizens who are suffering from the heat but have no relief. Fortunately, the Fan Care program offered by Virginia Power and the Virginia Department for the Aging is there to help.

For the 10th year, Fan Care is providing free box fans to elderly Virginians within the Virginia Power service area who meet eligibility requirements. In 1999, more than 2,395 fans were distributed through the program statewide.

"We're certainly pleased with the success of Fan Care," said Ann McGee, commissioner of the Department for the Aging. There are too many elderly Virginians who are in poor health and confined within their homes. The cooling effects of just one fan is enough to make the hot days of summer more bearable.

Since the program's inception, more than 15,000 fans have been given away.

Virginia Power donated \$27,500 to the Fan Care program this year, most of which will go toward the purchase of fans.

This year, 445 fans are available locally, while 360 were distributed last year. There is always a need for more, which makes donations critical. The program continues through Sept. 30, or until funds are exhausted.

Criteria for a fan include:

- Live in Virginia.
- Be age 60 or older.
- Have a need for cooling assistance.
- Meet income guidelines defined by the Area Agencies on Aging.

To arrange for a fan, call Senior Services of Southeastern Virginia (Intake Department), 461-9481. To make a donation to the Fan Care program to purchase more fans, call Cathy Spriggs, long-term care director, 461-9481.

The cooling power of one fan can make a real difference to someone, and assists seniors in remaining comfortable and independent in their homes. — V.E.H.

Mysteries of vacations continue to perplex

By Jamie Brown,
Editorial Supervisor

Back to the real world. Wake up before the sun rises, clean up, drink coffee, head to work, toil away, return home in the evening, eat dinner, take a nap and then wake up to go to bed. Vacation is over.

No matter how you slice it, there are 24 hours in a day and seven days in a week.

So how come the seven days of vacation go screaming past so much faster than the normally five days devoted to work each week?

Been on a number of vacations over the years, from childhood to adulthood.

And every single one seemed to be over hardly before they started.

Today is Tuesday, back at work since Monday, and it seems I have spent more time at work than the entire week of vacation. And I like my job!

As the federal government has a penchant for awarding grants for the weirdest stuff (fodder for future columns) I would like someone to get some tax money and scientifically determine why vacation time speeds by faster than Jeff Gordon at Daytona.

I don't want any rigamarole about how it is all in my head. It can't be. I am convinced time speeds up away from the work place. Heck, night even goes by quicker than daylight hours Monday through Friday. Weekends do appear at least to be more balanced.

Hey, just had a thought (strange eh?). If everyone's vacation time seems faster, and time really does change quicker, that explains why the normal work week seems slower. That extra time has to go somewhere. I apologize now to anyone whose

work week lasted longer recently while I was on vacation. Since I couldn't take all my time with me, someone had to utilize it. It all equaled out anyway, when others go on vacation, that is why my week is longer.

This theory probably needs some finetuning, for which the government should gladly fund for scientific exploration.

And I herewith offer my services as the guinea pig who always is on vacation, albeit quick ones. I am willing to drive, fly, sail, cruise, ride the rails, or even just sit on the front porch with a glass or two of lemonade and read a book.

I would be willing to sacrifice my time for such a worthwhile endeavor to answer the question millions ask each year.

A subsidiary could be conducted simultaneously on why so many people feel the need to take a vacation to rest up from vacation.

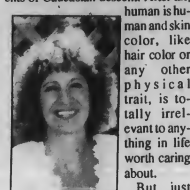
Other great mysteries of vacation to be answered include:

- Why does one have to use the toilet until 10 miles down the road?
- How come 'we aren't there yet'?
- How many orange sodas can a child drink in a moving vehicle?
- How come the calls for rest stops always come right after passing one on the interstate?
- Why does the grass in my yard grow more in the week I am away on vacation than during any week I am at home?
- Why does I-64 West in Hampton Roads go east and vice-versa?

The answer must lie somewhere in the mysterious space-time continuum. Maybe that's where I'll head on vacation next year. Now, is that a left at Albuquerque? I don't want to end up in Abu Dhabi — or do I?

Voting in Virginia is for whites mostly

Usually, I give no thought to the happenstance that I was born to parents of Caucasian descent. After all, human is human and skin color, like hair color or any other physical trait, is totally irrelevant to anything in life worth caring about.



Perspectives

By Eileen Huey,
columnist

My fellow Virginians that is best said by one of its white citizens.

Virginia's criminal justice system, from its police profiling, targeting of black neighborhoods, unequal prosecution and conviction of minorities, disgraceful exploitation of cheap prison labor and refusal to automatically restore voting and other civil rights after time served, smacks of Jim Crowism of the first order.

The number of disenfranchised African-Americans in Virginia is staggering beyond belief.

More than 40 percent of Virginia's black male citizens are denied the right to vote and other civil rights for life, almost exclusively because of a felony conviction for a drug-related offense in their youth.

The so-called "war on drugs" has given Virginia and its sister Southern states a more efficient tool for stripping blacks of their civil rights than the literacy test and poll tax ever did.

After all, many a poor and uneducated white couldn't afford to pay that tax or was able to read the U.S. Constitution either. But it's totally within the absolute power of the state to decide whom to arrest, and if the person arrested is young and poor enough, to also determine whom it

The so-called "war on drugs" has given Virginia and its sister Southern states a more efficient tool for stripping blacks of their civil rights than the literacy test and poll tax ever did.

than that of whites, when whites equally abuse drugs and are far more numerous in the population? In fact, whites are twenty times more likely to be the kingpins and profiteers of the drug trade than blacks.

And, why do black Virginians overwhelmingly make up Virginia's prison population when whites commit two to three times more crimes than blacks?

Even more importantly, how do Virginians justify their very un-American laws that refuse to restore voting rights to those who have repaid their debt to society?

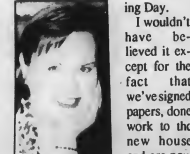
Given Virginia's shameful history in the area of civil rights, such a refusal is all the more suspect since its practical effect is to continue the massive denial of civil rights to the very minorities it barred from fully participating in self-government for hundreds of years.

To anyone who is still convinced that Virginia's police, prosecutors, judges, lucrative prison industry and legislators do not consciously target our black citizens, I offer this challenge. Automatically restore all voting and other civil rights after time served and prove your real motive is not to continue Virginia's non-stop Jim Crowism into the 21st century.

Truly a 'moving' experience

As you read this, I'm probably knee deep in packing paper, boxes and tape as we embark on the big move.

Hard to believe, but it's finally here. Moving Day.



Off The Cuff

By Victoria Hecht, editor

Who needs sentimental value when it means one more thing to lug to a new home?

Like many people, I've had lots of moving days in my life, and I'm only 30! I can only imagine what it's like for a military family which must routinely pull up stakes, as often as once a year.

The home we just purchased, in fact, was from a military family who'd been there barely a year — hardly long enough to make any improvements to the place. I'm sure when they bought it, however, they figured they'd be stationed here for a while and build up some equity.

Back to moving. One's life can be traced by the moving days that mark the important events in their life: going off to college, graduating, getting a place of one's own, getting married, having kids, buying a bigger place.

My own moving experience pretty much mirrors that. And it seems that with each move there are more possessions.

Going off to college was the first move. Mom and some relatives rented a mini-van, and we easily packed all my belongings plus four people into it.

As I recall, my possessions were comprised of one chair, one trunk, two pieces of luggage and a cardboard box or two stuffed with bed linens, food and a few decorations. Not a lot of stuff. Just enough to make the dorm room homey.

At the end of the year, however, my "stuff" had doubled. I still haven't figured that out. During the ensuing summers, it eventually got so bad that my roommate and I didn't bother to traipse our belongings back and forth. We simply rented a storage unit near the campus.

The next big move came at graduation. By that time I had acquired a substantial amount of stuff which had to be lugged back to Norfolk.

"Vicky," Evan said a few days ago, "let's not even deal with the attic. Let's just leave it all up there for the new people."

Two weeks after graduation, I got my first newspaper job. It was in Emporia and meant lugging that stuff, plus more new stuff, to my new place. I needed enough to set up a household.

Three years later, when it came time to move back to Hampton Roads and take this job, the move required a large truck plus two cars packed to the gills.

A year later, when Evan and I got married, there was yet another move in store to our first house. Luckily, that move coincided with my mom selling her big house for a smaller place, so we used the same truck.

Evan and I have been fortunate in the last few years. We haven't had to move since 1994. Now, six years and a half kids later, we are faced with the task again. This time we're moving to our "transition" house — large enough to accommodate our growing family.

Ultimately, in another five years or so, we'll be moving to our dream house — the house we'll stay in until we die.

So here it is: time to pack 'em up.

will convict.

Of course, none of the selective prosecution of black youths would keep blacks out of the voting booth for life if Virginia and other Southern states adhered to the principles of the U.S. Constitution like the other regions of our country do.

In most of these United States, persons convicted of crimes lose their civil rights only while they are serving time to redress the wrong they did to society, whether that time is in prison or on parole. The whole point of serving time is to punish offenders in the hope that they will learn their lesson and become law-abiding and constructive members of society in the future.

For the life of me I can't understand how anyone can view automatically restoring the right to vote as a threat to public safety. Quite to the contrary, citizens who vote constructively participate in our democracy. That is precisely the kind of behavior Virginia ought to be encouraging in all its citizens, especially those who want to turn their lives into a constructive rather than destructive force in our society.

Ironically, it was convicted felons from the prisons of Europe that are largely responsible for the settlement of the South itself. Yes, there were a handful of wealthy aristocrats who invested capital in the Virginia colony.

But had it not been for the back-breaking labor and sheer grit of African-American slaves and white ex-convicts, there would be no Virginia in the first place. Many of the Virginia patriots who risked their lives to overthrow tyranny, the very men of whom we are so very proud, were themselves former prisoners of the British justice system in England, Ireland or on our native soil.

Those who doubt that Jim Crow is alive and well and living in Virginia need to answer some very difficult questions. Why is the number of blacks convicted of felonies from drug-related offenses so much higher

and move 'em out.

Even and I have been dreaming about — and terrified of — this day for weeks. Moving is one of those things that you look forward to and dread at the same time (kind of like childbirth).

First, we toyed with the idea of having a yard sale. We had one a few years back and netted more than \$500. That came in handy. We talked about doing another one, but the work entailed — especially with a toddler underfoot and me six months pregnant — seemed like two much of a chore.

We nixed that idea and decided just to purge our belongings and give them to the Children's Hospital thrift stores.

Then we thought about the attic. We hadn't even considered the attic. The attic terrifies us.

"Vicky," Evan said a few days ago, "let's not even deal with the attic. Let's just leave it all up there for the new people."

Of course, he wasn't serious, but the idea had merit.

What is an attic? It's a repository for things you don't really need but hang on to anyway. It becomes the storeroom for old clothes, old memorabilia, old this and that.

Believe me, our attic has lots of "this and that." The only thing of merit up there that we touch on a regular basis is our Christmas decorations — and that's once a year.

So here it is, Moving Day. It's time to disperse with the old and bring in the new. Time to be moving on. Time to start creating some new memories.

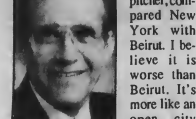
In short, it's time to get cracking. It's another big step in this thing called life.

Now, about that attic...

Central Park attacks come as no surprise

The recent attacks upon women in New York's Central Park should not come as a surprise to anyone. Women have been attacked there before and, sadly, it will happen again and again.

John Rocker, Atlanta Braves pitcher, compared New York with Beirut. I believe it is worse than Beirut. It's more like an open city where anything goes. So far 45 women have been reported to police that they were stripped, groped and robbed in open daylight with hundreds of people watching, including the police.



The Real World

By J.J. Sessions, senior columnist.

The interesting part of all of this is that instead of blaming the dirty scum bags who attacked them, some of the victims blame the police. One witness said that she ran a block before she could find a policeman, and after she told him what happened he "did nothing."

I don't doubt it one bit that the policeman did not run down into that crowd of drunks and sex-crazed thugs and start knocking heads together. He knew that if he did he would be charged with profiling and police brutality and any other charges that the criminals and their lawyers would blame them with.

It's amazing that the victims blame the police, yet they know what has happened in Central Park in the past. They still go there scantly dressed, just asking some crazy, depraved sex fiend to attack them or possibly kill them.

I can hear them now saying, "This is America, and I can go anywhere I pleased dressed anyway I want to." I say go ahead, but suffer the consequences. This incident in New York is a good example of what is happening to police officers all across this nation.

Every time a crime is committed the police are blamed. It's supposed to be the other way around, but that's not happening. There are thousands of good and decent police officers — both men and women — who just want to do a good job and protect the public.

Many have lost their jobs, homes, bank accounts and futures simply because some slick lawyers or bleeding heart group found some legal way to protect the robber, rapist or murderer and blame the police.

When good police officers all over the country decide to walk away, then what happened in Central Park will be nothing compared to what will happen.

The criminals almost have control of the streets now in some of the larger cities. The smaller cities are next. It's just a matter of time. Welcome to the real world.

The Virginia Beach Sun

P.O. Box 1327
1024 North Battlefield Blvd.
Chesapeake, Va. 23320
Telephone: (757) 547-4571
(USPS666-140)

Publisher
Hanes Byerly

General Manager
Ron Wilmut

Editorial Supervisor
Jamie Brown,

Editor
Victoria Hecht

Office Manager
Geri Orange

Advertising
Brandi Cyr
Mary Speer

Composition Supervisor
Loretta Lomax

The Virginia Beach Sun is published every Friday by Byerly Publications, Inc., 1000 Armory Drive, Franklin, Virginia 23851. Periodicals postage paid in Franklin, Virginia and additional entry offices. Postmaster: Send address changes to 1000 Armory Drive, Franklin, Virginia 23851. Subscription Rates: By mail addresses within 40 miles of Virginia Beach, Va., one year, \$15.95; two years, \$28.95. Virginia and North Carolina, one year, \$17.85; two years, \$29.50. All other states one year, \$24.00; two years, \$38.50. Payable in advance.

Other Byerly Publications newspapers: The Chesapeake Post, The Portsmouth Times, The Tidewater News, The Brunswick Times-Gazette, The Independent Messenger, The Dinwiddie Monitor, The Petersburg Monitor.

HOW TO SUBSCRIBE TO THE VIRGINIA BEACH SUN

☐ New Subscription

☐ Renewal

Please mail this coupon with your check to:
SUN, P.O. Box 1327, Chesapeake, VA 23327

RATES: Within 40 miles of Virginia Beach:

☐ One year \$15.95

☐ Two years \$28.95

Elsewhere in Virginia and North Carolina:

☐ One year \$17.85

☐ Two years \$29.50

All other states:

☐ One year \$24.00

☐ Two years \$38.50

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____

Zip _____

People with disabilities can discover world through the library

One of my early experiences in public service was chairing the Virginia Beach Public Library Board when we established the Virginia Beach Public Library as a subregional library of the Library of Congress Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped.



The Mayor's Report

Mayor Meyera Oberndorf

For the first time, blind residents could gain access to books printed in Braille or read aloud on phonograph records. In the years since, there have been many innovations that have made libraries and information more accessible for people with disabilities.

I remember watching library staff in Special Services, as we call our subregional unit, use a plastic slate and metal stylus or a cumbersome, noisy, manual Braille writer to produce Braille transcriptions of printed information. It was worth the effort so residents who were blind could actually read a City Council agenda and be active citizens. Now, documents to be Brailled often arrive as email.

Linda Southard, a library staff member who is herself blind, edits the file for use in a Braille Note Taker which is plugged into a Blazer, a small computerized talking Braille printer. Documents in Braille can be ready in almost no time. They might be the minutes from the Mayor's Committee for Persons with Disabilities, or safety information like "Hurricane Tips for Persons with Disabilities" produced by Bill Henry of the Virginia Beach Fire Department.

The newest service of the Library of Congress, National Library Services for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS/BPH) is Web-Braille. Special Services customers who read Braille and have a computer and email can call 464-9175 and get registered so they can download any one of 3,000 books in Braille.

Just as those of us who can see don't have to print everything on the computer screen, a computer attachment called a Braille readout produces raised dots for fingertip reading. And since most books in Braille are huge, 3 to 5 inches thick for each volume, it's great to have them stored on disk instead of on shelves.

Special Services staff give tours to school classes and others by appointment where you can see how new technology is enabling people with disabilities to be independent and productive citizens. Staff who cannot see can handle library check-out because JAWS (Job Access With Speech) software reads the computer screen aloud.

It hasn't been that many years since the \$10,000 Kurzweil Reading Ma-

I remember watching library staff in Special Services, as we call our subregional unit, use a plastic slate and metal stylus or a cumbersome, noisy, manual Braille writer to produce Braille transcriptions of printed information.

chine was "state of the art," but now software can make any computer translate text into speech. The same software can insure that our e-government initiative, VBGov.com, is accessible by all Virginia Beach residents.

While much of the library focus has been on overcoming the reading barrier of blindness, other disabilities can also get in the way of library use. The Tidewater Center for Technology Access has received a grant to purchase assistive hardware and software for training individuals with reading and writing disabilities to access the reading materials of their choice in several libraries.

A TDD (Telecommunication Device for the Deaf) at 464-9175 makes sure that people with hearing impairment can call the library for information. Or, the Virginia Relay Service relays calls between deaf, hard-of-hearing, or speech-impaired people and hearing people. Calls can be made to anywhere in the world and from anywhere in the United States and Canada by calling (800) 828-1120 TDD users and (800) 828-1140 voice users.

High-tech electronics can help people participate in their community from home and overcome some of the barriers that disabilities create. Still, it's important for people to be able to gather together and enjoy city facilities without physical barriers. As we build and renovate libraries, we are looking at ways to make them more accessible. Sometimes that means special equipment, but in other cases less crowding is all that's needed. In fact, the elements that make a building more accessible often make it more pleasant for everyone.

Virginia Beach's commitment, through the public library, to full intellectual and civic participation for all residents, regardless of their abilities, has not wavered in the decades since we opened Special Services. The possibilities are much greater today, both because of new technology and because of all we've learned along the way.

Carolyn Caywood, Bayside librarian, contributed to this column.

Jaycees, ECSC honor scholarship winner

The Virginia Beach Jaycees and the Executive Committee for the 38th annual East Coast Surfing Championships have honored Matthew Brady as the winner of the 2000 Dusty Hinman/Hugh Kitchen Memorial Scholarship.

This \$1,500 scholarship is awarded to an outstanding senior of a Virginia Beach High School in remembrance of two influential figures of our city's oceanfront resort community. The honoree must be deserving, and in good standing at their high school. They must also be active in surfing and in their community.

Brady, a 2000 graduate from Catholic High School, will be presented with the \$1,500 scholarship on the main stage of the 38th annual East Coast Surfing Championships on Saturday, Aug. 26. He has been accepted to East Carolina University and plans to attend as a freshman this fall.

Stephen Gay, ECSC spokesman said, "The Virginia Beach Jaycees and the Executive Board of ECSC 2000 are proud to be able to honor a student like Matthew through projects such as the Dusty Hinman/Hugh Kitchen Memorial Scholarship. Through projects like ECSC the Virginia Beach Jaycees contribute a great deal to the Virginia Beach community, this award is a great example of that."

Lee Walker, ECSC chairman stated, "We look forward to hearing of Matthew's success as a ECU Pirate, and we hope that we've inspired him to give back to the community that he will come to settle down in."

ECSC 2000 will be held Aug. 21 with beach events beginning on the 23. For information regarding volunteering or participating in ECSC 2000 contact the ECSC committee at www.surfscs.com or call us at 1-800-861-SURF.

Up close and personal

LaVern Abernathy-Theus: Captain of her Ark

By Victoria Hecht

Editor LaVern Abernathy-Theus' pride is evident as she introduces the youngsters entrusted to her care at Abby's Ark Daycare/Early Learning Program.

"These are my babies," she beams, running her eyes over some of the most polite youngsters one is likely to encounter.

Dressed in red shorts and clean white T-shirts, some with the Abby's Ark logo emblazoned across the front, several fresh-scrubbed faces look up and make their hellos.

And they are fresh-scrubbed — every day around the same time. "Mrs. Theus," as the children call her, likes a tidy child. She believes cleanliness is next to godliness.

Theus is the "captain" of this unique Ark, which blows the typical idea of a home daycare out of the water.

Theus has turned her Cavalier Manor home into a learning center complete with a computer study area, activity centers, even a place where cots for each child are brought out every day for rest and relaxation. The kitchen is tidy as a pin — if not neater — and outside in the large fenced yard the toys are lined up neatly. She has a business office in the home, prints up menus and other paperwork, and even listens as the children say their prayers before nap time.

"My vision was a daycare center that exemplified quality," said Theus, who graduated with a degree in early childhood education at Tidewater Community College and ultimately completed her studies at Regent University. "I live to be an overachiever. I like to go above and beyond."

For many years Theus worked as an electrician at Norfolk Naval Shipyard, but her heart's desire was to work with children. She decided to pursue that dream by first attending TCC, where she now also serves on the faculty. The daycare center quickly became a reality.

The heart of Theus' Ark is learning. Her children don't just come there and play all day or watch television — they improve themselves. Even the 3- and 4-year-olds can operate computers, recite the Lord's Prayer, says the Pledge of Allegiance and memorize Bible verses. Her younger children are taught the alphabet and how to read.

"They go off to school knowing how to read," she smiled.

Theus also believes that history and geography are important. She teaches them African-American history year-round, "not just in February," and the children can tell others about plenty of important black Americans. Her youngsters can put together jigsaw puzzles of the United States in minutes.

Manncrs are another of Theus' strong suits. Her youngsters are well-trained enough that a field trip to Waterside isn't daunting, and she doesn't think twice about taking them to restaurants.

"I love to take them out to eat," she said. "They spread their napkins out, and the girls cross their legs very ladylike."

The children's uniforms are always clean, though she admits "they know how to get dirty" when the time comes to have some down-and-dirty fun.

Theus' Ark was awarded a three-year license, not a typical one-year license, and has been called a "model home for quality care," according to Marie Baker, director of TCC's Early Childhood Education program. Theus has been so successful, in fact, that she teaches others how to qualify as a child development associate.

Theus' vision now is her own Christian school for grades kindergarten through three. She is getting help from consultant Russ Clark, whom she calls her "troubleshooter," to make it a reality.

"The Lord has sent me some wonderful people to get this under way," she said. "It'll be a model school, and one of my former professors at Regent, Dr. James W. Komarnicki, is working with me to develop it."

If she had \$1 million today, Theus said she'd put it right into the school. She feels the time has come to build her dream.

"I've really reached my zenith in the home. All the parents keep asking me, 'Mrs. Theus, when are you going to have a Christian school?' It's time."



Her goal is to educate no more than 100 students, with a small teacher/student ratio. Theus is also co-chair of Portsmouth's early Childhood Forum called Building One Child At A Time and a notary public.

Name: LaVern Abernathy-Theus.

What brought you to this area: Born and raised here.

Hometown: Portsmouth.

Age: 45.

Nickname: Abby. It is short for my maiden name Abernathy.

Occupation: Owner/director of Abby's Ark Daycare/Early Learning Center.

Marital status: I have been happily married for 15 years to a good man, George W. Theus, and am looking forward to many, many years to come.

Children: My wonderful, sweet and obedient daughter is Kenobia Abernathy, 20, pursuing a dual degree in criminal justice and forensic psychology at Virginia Commonwealth University. I am so proud of her.

Favorite movie: "The Horse Whisperer."

Favorite magazines: *National Geographic*, *Smithsonian*, *Early Childhood Today*.

Favorite authors: Susan Taylor ("In the Spirit"), Dr. James W. Komarnicki ("Growing Towards the Statues of the Fullness of Christ").

Favorite night out on the town: With my husband walking, talking, going to a movie and spending quality time with each other.

Favorite restaurant: Applebee's.

Favorite meal and beverage: My god-daughter's lasagna. I like iced tea.

What most people don't know about me: I'll never tell!

Best thing about myself: I've got tenacity.

Worst habit: I'm an overachiever.

Pets: None.

Hobbies: I enjoy reading, singing and watching my Redskins play during football season. That's right, Redskins.

Ideal vacation: I want the opportunity to visit the Holy Land and walk where my Jesus walked.

Pet peeves: I do not like people other than my immediate family going into my refrigerator, bothering my mail or doing anything to my oldest brother. Please!

First job: Pride Cleaners, owned by Preston Vaughan, now deceased. I was the desk clerk. I even had to get a worker's permit.

Least liked job: I can't say I've had a worst job. I worked for the government at the Norfolk Naval Shipyard as an electrician and liked the work. Pulling the cables was the worst part of the job.

Favorite sports team: Washington Redskins.

Favorite musician: My favorite musicians are local. They are two talented women in the persons of Mary Byars, a very talented musician, and Regina Burden, an awesome vocalist at my church (Mt. Sinai).

Most embarrassing moment: Well, I have had several of those. You know when you're driving down the street and you blow your horn at someone you think you know? I have gone as far as rolling down the window and proceeding to talk and it was not the person I thought it was. However, at that point I laugh at myself and say "I thought you were someone else. Nevertheless, how are you anyway and have a blessed day. See you later."

How I would like to be remembered: Not as an ordinary woman, but an extraordinary woman because of my faith, trust and obedience in God that made me that way.

If I received \$1 million: It would be nothing but God. I would purchase the land we are in the process of getting to build Abby's Ark Christian Academy.

If I had 10 minutes on national television: I would talk about teaching values to our children and how morality is slipping out of our society and why we must work to put character education back into our schools.



Send your community news and photos to:
The Virginia Beach Sun
P.O. Box 1327
Chesapeake, Virginia 23320

A new sheriff in town

Continued From Page 1

The office was under investigation by both the state police and federal government for, among other things, mismanagement of funds and sexual harassment. Pay was so low that most deputies qualified for food stamps.

"At that time, quite frankly, the sheriff's office wasn't looked at in a favorable light. He (Drew) has had a lot to do with changing that image, and today it's looked at as a model around the state," Lanteigne said.

He has been with Drew at the sheriff's office since 1990, the same year Lanteigne began a four-year term on City Council. He subsequently served two years on the School Board as well.

Lanteigne will take cues from Drew's tutelage over the years, but he's also going to put his own touch on the office.

"I joke that he's been like a mentor to me everywhere I go," said Lanteigne. "I've always thought of him as a grandfather — that gets him."

Lanteigne is 47, Drew, 53. The two share the philosophy that the Virginia Beach City Jail is the citizens', not Sheriff's Office property, and that as citizens they should have insight into it and access.

"If anyone wants to come in for a tour, we open it up. Groups come in, we open it up. We're not like other agencies that don't let anyone in," he said.

Lanteigne would like to make the jail even more accessible and plans to put out invitations to civic leagues and public service organizations to hold meetings there.

"The more people see, the more they understand — and the more they appreciate the tough job the deputies have got."

With 400 total employees, including 225 sworn deputies, another of Lanteigne's goal is making working for the sheriff's office more attractive. Last year, they enjoyed a 13-percent

statewide pay increase, and he wants to go beyond that to attract and maintain good personnel.

"In this day of 2.5 percent unemployment rate, it's tough to get people in here to work shift work for \$27,000 a year in a tough job. One of the things we're looking at starting is an on-site day care facility for our single parents," he said.

No matter what shift, parents would be able to leave their children in a safe environment and even have meals with them.

"We have a lot of people who head single-parent families and tell me one of the reasons they leave is they can't find child care for their shift work. In this day and age, we have to provide enhanced benefits because we can't always give a pay raise. Most employees surveyed are in favor of it," said Lanteigne.

No time line has been established, but the next step is talking to day care providers about the idea.

The new sheriff, one of only 200 corrections officials across the country to earn the title Certified Jail Manager, is also optimistic about a new Joint Law Enforcement Training Center at the old Seateck Elementary School. It will be utilized by sheriff's and police personnel.

"Instead of going to other schools and trying to find classroom space wherever we can, this joint training center seemed a good idea. Fortunately, the School Board is leasing the site to the city," said Lanteigne. The goal is to get the facility fully operational within three years.

"However, we will be there in spartan conditions hopefully by September," he added.

Lanteigne believes the center is a win-win situation for everyone. It has all the facilities the law enforcement personnel need for training, and it will make use of a building that the Seateck community would like to see preserved.



Paul Lanteigne

"Our ultimate goal is people from outside the city and state will come in to do training and will pay. Those funds, in turn, will help pay for our training," he noted. "They'll also be staying in our hotels, buying meals and have some spin-off economic benefits."

The critical need for a jail addition is also coming to a head, which Lanteigne says will be addressed during his tenure. He rated for a 590-person capacity and we've got about 990 inmates right now," he said. "At times it has been as high as 1,100 inmates in here. We're under design work now and hope to have the facility open in 2004. You're talking about two years of construction."

If his election run is successful, Lanteigne hopes to be around after Dec. 31, 2001 "to see the jail through."

Strong suits he feels he brings to the position include a good head for numbers and analytical skills. He has been described as very "hands-on" as well.

"On thing the sheriff has always told me to do is more delegation. I agree with him there — that's probably something I need to work on. But I am analytical and slower to act than others. I ask a lot of questions, which my staff is used to."

Lanteigne, who holds a bachelor's degree in criminology, teaches at Tidewater Community College and is pursuing a master's degree in public administration, plans to take things slowly and steadily as new sheriff.

"It's almost a good thing and bad thing to follow in Frank's footsteps. He has done so much and brought the office so far that it's hard to follow. If we can maintain that course, that's the idea. My philosophy is that success is never final. I don't expect us to leap forward, but the improvements we've made over the last 10 years have been tremendous."

Lanteigne, married to Tracey for 28 years and the father of three, is a resident of Pungo and has called the Beach home since 1963. He was the 1994 grand marshal of the Pungo Strawberry Festival and was awarded the 1999 Human Rights Award by the city's Human Rights Commission. He is a graduate of the FBI National Academy.

LEGAL NOTICES

VIRGINIA: IN THE VIRGINIA BEACH CIRCUIT COURT CLERK'S OFFICE
IN RE: Benjamin Shelby Barton, Plaintiff v.

Amy Lin Barton, Defendant
Case No. CH00-2363
ORDER OF PUBLICATION
The object of this suit is to obtain a divorce A Vinculo Matrimonii, on the grounds that your Complainant and Respondent have lived separate and apart without cohabitation and without interruption for more than one year, pursuant to Section 20-91 (a) of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended; and that he have such other and further relief as the nature of his cause may require or to equity may seem meet.

It is ORDERED that Amy Lin Barton appear and protect her interest, on or before September 11, 2000, which date is no sooner than fifty days after entry of this order of publication.

And it is further ORDERED that this order of publication be published once a week for four successive weeks in The Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in this City prescribed by this court.

Date: July 20, 2000
J. CURTIS FRUIT, CLERK
By Marie Tucay, Deputy Clerk

Public Notice

VIRGINIA: IN THE VIRGINIA BEACH CIRCUIT COURT CLERK'S OFFICE
IN RE: Andrew L. Scott, Plaintiff v.

Deborah Racks Scott, Defendant
Case No. CH00-1808
ORDER OF PUBLICATION
The object of this suit is to obtain a Divorce A Vinculo Matrimonii upon the grounds of a one year separation.

It is ORDERED that Deborah Racks Scott appear and protect her interest, on or before August 17, 2000, which date is no sooner than fifty days after entry of this order of publication.

And it is further ORDERED that this order of publication be published once a week for four successive weeks in Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in this City prescribed by this court.

Date: June 26, 2000
J. CURTIS FRUIT, CLERK
By Valerie B. Haizlip, Deputy Clerk

Public Notice

VIRGINIA: IN THE VIRGINIA BEACH CIRCUIT COURT CLERK'S OFFICE
IN RE: Lorenzo Parker, Plaintiff v.

Gloria B. Parker, Defendant
Case No. 98-3540
ORDER OF PUBLICATION
The object of this suit is to obtain a divorce A Vinculo Matrimonii from the defendant upon the grounds of having lived separate and apart continuously, without cohabitation and without interruption for a period of one year.

It is ORDERED that Gloria B. Parker appear and protect her interest, on or before August 17, 2000, which date is no sooner than fifty days after entry of this order of publication.

And it is further ORDERED that this order of publication be published once a week for four successive weeks in Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in this City prescribed by this court.

Date: June 26, 2000
J. CURTIS FRUIT, CLERK
By Valerie B. Haizlip, Deputy Clerk

Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE OF
1705 Harrington Court
Virginia Beach, VA 23464

In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of \$84,051.00, from Sara J. Owens and David L. Owens, Grantors, dated June 30, 1994, recorded among the land records of the Circuit Court for the CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH on July 6, 1994 in Map 3410 at Page 660, the undersigned appointed Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the main entrance of the Courthouse for the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, 2305 Judicial Blvd., Virginia Beach, Virginia on 08/15/00 at 2:40 P.M., the property with improvements to wit: ALL THAT certain lot, piece or parcel of land with the buildings and improvements thereon, and the appurtenances thereto belonging, lying, situate and being in the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, and being known, numbered and designated as Lot 5 in Block CC as shown on that certain plat entitled "Subdivision of Northridge, Section One" which said plat is duly recorded in the clerk's office of the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia in Map Book 141 at Page 13. IT BEING the same property that was conveyed to the grantors herein by deed of R.G. Moore Building Corp., a Virginia Corporation, dated June 2, 1982, and recorded in the aforesaid Clerk's Office in Deed Book 2203 at Page 889.

TERMS OF SALE: ALL CASH. A bidder's deposit of 10% of the sale price will be required in cash, certified or cashier's check. Settlement within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Trustees may forfeit deposit. Additional terms to be announced at sale.
Loan Type: CONV.
Trustee's File No.: L62081VIR
Substitute Trustee:
DRAPER & GOLDBERG, PLLC
750 Miller Drive, Suite C-1
Leesburg, Virginia 20175
(703) 777-7101
Email: kellin@drapgold.com

Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE OF
1312 Crane Crescent
Virginia Beach, VA 23454

In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of \$81,000.00, from David Gregorio, Beverly J. Reddin, Daniel J. Mayer and Janet R. Mayer, Grantors, dated October 2, 1992, recorded among the land records of the Circuit Court for the CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH on October 7, 1992 in Book 3135 at Page 800, the undersigned appointed Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the main entrance of the Courthouse for the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, 2305 Judicial Blvd., Virginia Beach, Virginia on 08/15/00 at 2:35 P.M., the property with improvements to wit: All that certain lot, piece or parcel of land with the buildings and improvements thereon, situate, lying and being in the City of Virginia Beach, State of Virginia, and being known, numbered and designated as Lot 35, as shown on that certain plat entitled "Subdivision of Redwing, Section Three," which plat is duly recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia in Map Book 170 at Page 4. And described in the above Deed of Trust.

TERMS OF SALE: ALL CASH. A bidder's deposit of 10% of the sale price will be required in cash, certified or cashier's check. Settlement within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Trustees may forfeit deposit. Additional terms to be announced at sale.
Loan Type: CONV.
Trustee's File No.: L62089VIR
Substitute Trustee:
DRAPER & GOLDBERG, PLLC
750 Miller Drive, Suite C-1
Leesburg, Virginia 20175
(703) 777-7101
Email: kellin@drapgold.com

Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE OF
5219 Richard Road
Virginia Beach, VA 23462
In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of

\$61,400.00, from David E. Bennett and Denise E. Bennett, Grantors dated January 26, 1987, recorded among the land records of the Circuit Court for the CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH on January 30, 1987 in Book 2591 at Page 755, the undersigned appointed Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the main entrance of the Courthouse for the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, 2305 Judicial Blvd., Virginia Beach, Virginia on 08/29/00 at 1:00 P.M., the property with improvements to wit: ALL THAT certain lot, piece or parcel of land with the buildings and improvements thereon, and the appurtenances thereto belonging, lying, situate and being in the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, and being known, numbered and designated as Lot 5 in Block CC as shown on that certain plat entitled "Subdivision of Northridge, Section One" which said plat is duly recorded in the clerk's office of the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia in Map Book 141 at Page 13. IT BEING the same property that was conveyed to the grantors herein by deed of R.G. Moore Building Corp., a Virginia Corporation, dated June 2, 1982, and recorded in the aforesaid Clerk's Office in Deed Book 2203 at Page 889.

TERMS OF SALE: ALL CASH. A bidder's deposit of 10% of the sale price will be required in cash, certified or cashier's check. Settlement within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Trustees may forfeit deposit. Additional terms to be announced at sale.
Loan Type: VA
Trustee's File No.: L62246VIR
Substitute Trustee:
DRAPER & GOLDBERG, PLLC
750 Miller Drive, Suite C-1
Leesburg, Virginia 20175
(703) 777-7101
Email: kellin@drapgold.com

Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE OF
810 Tullison Drive
Virginia Beach, VA 23462

In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of \$64,000.00, from Francine Wimberly, Grantor, dated April 26, 1996, recorded among the land records of the Circuit Court for the CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH on April 29, 1996 in Book 3610 at Page 931, the undersigned appointed Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the main entrance of the Courthouse for the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, 2305 Judicial Blvd., Virginia Beach, Virginia on 08/29/00 at 1:05 P.M., the property with improvements to wit: ALL THAT certain lot, piece or parcel of land, together with the buildings and improvements thereon, lying, situate and being in the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, and being known, numbered and designated as Lot 1, in Block GG, as shown on that certain plat entitled, "Subdivision of Campus East Townhomes, Section Four," which said plat is duly recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Map Book 174, at Pages 3 and 4. IT BEING the same property conveyed to the Grantor herein by deed of Berlin-Miles-Richels, Inc., formerly known as Berlin-Miles, Inc., and intended to be recorded simultaneously herewith. And described in the above Deed of Trust.

TERMS OF SALE: ALL CASH. A bidder's deposit of 10% of the sale price will be required in cash, certified or cashier's check. Settlement within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Trustees may forfeit deposit. Additional terms to be announced at sale.
Loan Type: CONV
Trustee's File No.: L62304VIR
Substitute Trustee:
DRAPER & GOLDBERG, PLLC
750 Miller Drive, Suite C-1
Leesburg, Virginia 20175
(703) 777-7101
Email: kellin@drapgold.com

Public Notice

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF
5802 West Hastings Arch
Virginia Beach, VA 23462

In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of \$60,000.00 with an annual interest rate of 11.0% dated August 29, 1999, recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, VA in Deed Book 4145 at Page 2154, and which has been made in the payment of the debt secured and requested by the Note Holder to do so, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer

Shuler named Outstanding Young Citizen

Continued From Page 1

entered private practice. He missed the contact with others, however, and returned to public accounting in 1998 with Strickland and Associates. He works at the Beach office on Laskin Road.

"In public accounting, I could help people achieve their dreams and, at the same time, make a living. It's the best of both worlds — doing something I love to do, that I am good at doing and making money at it," he smiled. "Most people wish to get to this point in life."

A resident of Highgate Greens, Shuler's community involvement reads like a resumé of activism.

He's serves on the executive committee of Spring Branch Community Church. Through the church, which assists orphaned children in Nicaragua, he's getting involved in its efforts to begin a worldwide orphan network.

Shuler is also on the regional board for the American Diabetes Association and serves as a board member for the Virginia Beach Division of the Hampton Roads Chamber of Commerce.

Professionally, he is on the Virginia Society of CPAs' state professional ethics committee. A frequent lecturer, he has been

named Outstanding Discussion Leader by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Virginia Society of CPAs for two years in a row.

Past involvements include the boards of the Norfolk Jaycees, in which he was active until 1993, the d'Arti Center and the Leukemia Society.

He is particularly committed to organizations which help children. Though he is single and has no children yet, he hopes to one day. He also likes helping organizations which are fighting to end diseases affecting children.

Shuler believes he has been successful in life because he followed some words of advice from his late father, Thomas, on his graduation from ODU.

"The day I graduated, my father pulled me aside and said there are three things in life that are really important. I knew my father loves me very much, but for him to have a father-son moment, I had to sit down," he remembered.

"He said to always remember your family and keep that first. He said priority number two is religion, whatever you practice. And number three, he said, is community. What you take out, you give back. He said if I took

care of those three things it would all fall into place.

"He was 100-percent correct," Shuler said. "He was a very smart man."

To this day, Shuler said, he still reaches to pick up the phone and call his father — as he did every day — until his passing two years ago.

The Outstanding Young Citizen believes that all adults should give back time each week to others, even if it's just a couple of hours.

"How many people are there in Hampton Roads, about 1.5 million? Let's say half of them are adults — that's 750,000 people. If they would each give two hours a week, you'd have 1.5 million hours, a week of unselfish time not trying to fulfill one's own needs. Just making the world a better place. It's incredible where you could go with that," he said.

"You'd never have children in Hampton Roads who would need anything. It's unfathomable what would happen," Shuler said.

The Jaycees typically honor the Outstanding Young Citizen with a dinner. Shuler, who "likes to keep a low profile," is up for it of hoopla but is considering a simple event which would benefit charity. No date has been set.

Fort Story dedicates new chapel

Continued From Page 1

people responded. After Anne Glenn serenaded the crowd with renditions of "My Lord, What a Meaning" and "Now Behold the Lamb,"ellig. Gen. William Mortensen addressed the assembly.

"We stand literally in the same place at Fort Story that our ancestors did here over 393 years ago, and say, 'Thank God for keeping them safe,'" Mortensen began.

"At Valley Forge, General George Washington, acting in the most important needs of his soldiers, directed that a daily worship be conducted," Mortensen continued, placing a historical viewpoint on the situation.

"Washington, the country's first general, understood the power of prayer. For over two centuries, chaplains across the nation have administered religion to America's fathers and sons, mother and daugh-

ters, keeping alive the flame of faith from which inner peace is achieved."

Mortensen also handed the introduction of Pickett. "This man has personally insured that we have this opportunity today," Mortensen explained. "Congressman Pickett la, without a doubt, one of the best friends of soldiers and families of the Fort Story community."

"Quite frankly, I didn't expect this building to look so magnificent," Pickett admitted. "The architects have really worked hard, and I think everyone is appreciative of their efforts."

"This chapel is not just a place of worship. It's a place that we can all respect, it's a place we can all rely on, a place that is very important for this community. We can all find power and guidance at a place such as this."

"The construction was the shortest part of this project," Pickett

said after the ceremony.

"The hardest part was getting congressional approval, because the request for the chapel would be put in by the chain of command, but would drop out as it went up the chain. The only way it got in was because I proposed it as an addition. This basic request, it but I finally got it to survive because I felt that this was essential need for our community."

Many at the ceremony expressed their feelings toward the new endeavor.

"Being a chaplain's assistant, I think this is a great thing," said Sgt. E-5 Corey Carrington, stationed at Fort Eustis. Chaplain's assistants help prepare for weddings, support religious programs, help with Sunday school, and perform other duties.

"New chapels don't get built every day, so this is very special for all of us."

Continued From Page 4

at public auction the property known as 5802 West Hastings Arch and aka Lot 45, Site 3 on that certain plat entitled "Subdivision of Lake Edward West, Section 3 Bayside Borough, Virginia Beach, VA and described in the above Deed of Trust. This sale will take place on Monday, July 31, 2000 at 9:00 a.m. at the front entrance of the Virginia Beach Circuit Courthouse, 2305 Judicial Blvd., Building 10, Virginia Beach, VA. A deposit of 10% will be required of any bidder at the time of sale. Closing within 15 days of sale. Additional terms may be announced at sale.

For information contact: Stephen H. Ashley, Substitute Trustee, 6644 Stoney Point Court, Norfolk, VA 23502, (757) 461-0664.

Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE OF
5593 New Colony Drive
Virginia Beach, VA 23464

In execution of a Deed of Trust in the original principal amount of \$84,850.00, from Donald W. Smith and Paula Smith, Grantor, dated August 11, 1998, recorded among the land records of the Circuit Court for the City of Virginia Beach on August 12, 1998 in Book 3924 at Page 1265, the undersigned appointed Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the main entrance of the Courthouse for the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, 2305 Judicial Blvd., Virginia Beach, Virginia on 08/15/00 at 2:55 P.M., the property with improvements to wit: ALL THAT certain lot, piece or parcel of land, with its appurtenances, situate in the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, and being known, numbered and designated as LOT five (5), Block "A", as shown on that certain plat entitled "JAMESTOWN OF WHITEHURST LANDING, SECTION ONE", duly recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Map Book 90, at Page 31. IT BEING the same property conveyed to the Grantors herein by deed from Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, dated June 24, 1998 and intended to be recorded simultaneously herewith. And described in the above Deed of Trust.

TERMS OF SALE: ALL CASH. A bidder's deposit of 10% of the sale price will be required in cash, certified or cashier's check. Settlement within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Trustees may forfeit deposit. Additional terms to be announced at sale.

Loan Type: FHA.
Trustee's File No: L62180V
Substitute Trustee:
DRAPER & GOLDBERG,
PL

750 Miller Drive, Suite C-1
Leesburg, Virginia 20175
(703) 777-7101

Email: kelin@draggold.com

Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE
4809 Machen Avenue
Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Thomas O. Spillane dated June 26, 1996 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3633, page 523, securing a loan which was originally \$63,850.00. Defaults having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the front steps of the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on August 11, 2000 at 8:00 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot 4 of (4), five and six (6), in Block three (3), as shown on that certain plat entitled, "Subdivision of Bndford Terrace". Tax Map #1570-40-8678-0000.

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid at the sale.

TERMS: CASH: A bidder's deposit of \$6,100.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be required to execute and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum or contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

This notice is an attempt to collect on a debt and any information

obtained will be used for that purpose. Loan Type: FHA.

NP007320
FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:
Between 8 - 11 AM
Nectar Projects, Inc.
Substitute Trustees
751 Miller Drive, Suite G1
Leesburg, Virginia 20175
(703) 777-8619

Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE
1717 Pathfinder Drive
Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Aaron W. Neal and Karen M. Neal dated June 6, 1997 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3750, page 579, securing a loan which was originally \$92,694.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the front steps of the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on August 11, 2000 at 8:01 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot 28, in Block B, as shown on that certain plat entitled, "Subdivision of Upon Estates, Phase One - Princess Anne Borough - Virginia Beach, Virginia". Tax Map #24156378610000.

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid at the sale.

TERMS: CASH: A bidder's deposit of \$9,000.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be required to execute and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum or contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

This notice is an attempt to collect on a debt and any information

obtained will be used for that purpose. Loan Type: FHA.

NP007331
FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:
Between 8 - 11 AM
Nectar Projects, Inc.
Substitute Trustees
751 Miller Drive, Suite G1
Leesburg, Virginia 20175
(703) 777-8619

Public Notice

Virginia:
The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Virginia Beach will be held in the School Board Room, School Administration Building, 2512 George Mason Drive, Building 6, Municipal Center, Princess Anne Station, Virginia Beach, Virginia, on Tuesday, August 8, 2000 at 2:00 p.m., at which time the following applications will be heard:

CHANGE OF ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION:
DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE

1. An Ordinance upon Application of PAW, L.L.C., a Virginia limited liability company for a Change of Zoning District Classification from AG-1 Agricultural District to Conditional R-10 Residential District on certain property located 1420 feet more or less north of Princess Anne Road beginning at a point 700 feet more or less west of Seaboard Road (GPIN #2404-05-8213). The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional R-10 is for single family residential land use on lots no less than 10,000 square feet. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for residential uses at or below 3.5 dwelling units per acre at densities that are compatible with single family use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 20,000 square feet. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

SUBDIVISION VARIANCE:
2. Appeal to Decisions of Administrative Officers in regard to certain elements of the Subdivision Ordinance, Subdivision for Alice O. Shurtz. Property is located on the west side of Princess Anne Road, 1367 feet north of Pleasant Ridge Road (GPIN #2402-73-7086). DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

3. Appeal to Decisions of Administrative Officers in regard to certain elements of the Subdivision Ordinance and City Zoning Ordinance, Subdivision for Frank T. Williams Farms. Property is located on the east side of Princess

Anne Road, 300 feet more or less south of Old Pungo Ferry Road (GPIN #2309-73-5629; #2309-93-1026; #2309-93-7637; #2319-22-3454; #2319-04-2543; #2309-85-9370; #2309-95-5853; #2319-16-9062. Part of #2319-17-9201). DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT:

4. An Ordinance upon Application of Frank T. Williams Farms for a Conditional Use Permit for an Alternative Residential Development on certain property located on the east side of Princess Anne Road beginning at a point 300 feet more or less south of Old Pungo Ferry Road (GPIN #2309-73-5629; #2309-93-1026; #2309-93-7637; #2319-22-3454; #2319-04-2543; #2309-85-9370; #2309-95-5853; #2319-16-9062. Part of #2319-17-9201). Said parcel contains 455 acres more or less. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

CHANGE OF ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION:
DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE

5. An Ordinance upon Application of Ali Hambaz for a Change of Zoning District Classification from R-2 Residential District to Conditional B-2 Community Business District on certain property located at the northeast corner of Princess Anne Road and Baxter Road (GPIN #1476-07-5853; #1476-07-3730; #1476-07-3692). The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional B-2 is for commercial land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for suburban residential/medium and high densities that are compatible with single family use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 2.19 acres. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT:

6. An Ordinance upon Application of Ali Hambaz for a Conditional Use permit for an automobile service station and car wash on certain property located at the northeast corner of Princess Anne Road and Baxter Road (GPIN #1476-07-5853; #1476-07-3730; #1476-07-3692). Said parcel contains 1.2 acres. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

DISTRICT 4 - BAYSIDE

7. An Ordinance upon Application of Julie A. Phipps for a Conditional Use Permit for an outdoor recreational facility (skate ramp) on Lot 63 Section 1, Thoroughgood (GPIN #1479-81-2081). Said parcel is located at 4204 Ewell Road and contains 1 acre more or less. DISTRICT 4 - BAYSIDE.

DISTRICT 6 - BEACH

8. An Ordinance upon Application of Asset Channels Inc. for a Conditional Use Permit for a Fiber-Optics Transmission Facility on certain property located at the northern extremity of Distribution Drive. Said parcel contains 5.895 acres. DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.

9. An Ordinance upon Application of Richmond 10 MHz, LLC d/b/a PrimeCo Personal Communications for a Conditional Use Permit for a communications tower on certain property located at the northwest corner of Dam Neck Road and Harpers Road (GPIN #2405-05-2030). Said parcel contains 9.87 acres. DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.

AMENDMENTS:

10. An Ordinance to amend and reordain Section 106 of the City Zoning Ordinance pertaining to Reduction of Appeal Time for Certain Offenses of a Short-Term Duration.

11. An Ordinance to amend Section 1601 of the Coastal Primary Sand Dune Zoning Ordinance pertaining to the definition of a Coastal Primary Sand Dune.

12. An Ordinance to amend the City Zoning Ordinance pertaining to shopping center identification signs.

13. An Ordinance upon Application of the City of Virginia Beach to amend the Site Plan Ordinance pertaining to fees and procedures for floodplain variances.

All interested parties are invited to attend.

Ruth Hodges Smith, MMC
City Clerk
If you are physically disabled or visually impaired and need assistance at this meeting, please call the CITY CLERK'S OFFICE at 427-4303; Hearing impaired, call TDD only 427-4305 (TDD - Telephonic Device for the Deaf).

Public Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
The Virginia Beach Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, August 9, 2000 at 12:00 Noon in the School Board Room, School Administration Building, 2512 George Mason Drive, Building 6, Municipal Center, Virginia Beach, Virginia. A briefing session will be held at 9:00 a.m. in the City Manager's Conference Room, City Hall Building. PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION IS NOT A FINAL

DETERMINATION OF THE APPLICATION, BUT ONLY A RECOMMENDATION TO THE CITY COUNCIL AS THE VIEWPOINT OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION. FINAL DETERMINATION OF THE APPLICATION IS TO BE MADE BY CITY COUNCIL AT A LATER DATE. AFTER PUBLIC NOTICE IN A NEWSPAPER HAVING GENERAL CIRCULATION WITHIN THE CITY.

THOSE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC INTERESTED IN ATTENDING THE PUBLIC HEARING SHOULD BE ADVISED THAT FOR REASONS THE PLANNING COMMISSION DEEMS APPROPRIATE, CERTAIN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA MAY BE HEARD OUT OF ORDER AND THAT IT SHOULD NOT BE ASSUMED THAT THE ORDER LISTED BELOW WILL BE EXACTLY FOLLOWED DURING THE PUBLIC HEARING.

The staff reviews of some or all of the items on this agenda suggest that certain conditions be attached to approval by City Council. However, it should not be assumed that those conditions constitute all of the conditions that will ultimately be attached to the project. Staff agencies may impose further conditions and requirements during administration of applicable city ordinances.

SUBDIVISION VARIANCES:

1. Appeal to Decisions of Administrative Officers in regard to certain elements of the Subdivision Ordinance, Subdivision for Mark Leach. Property is located on Lot 43A, Alberthas Lane. DISTRICT 5 - LYNNHAVEN.

2. Appeal to Decisions of Administrative Officers in regard to certain elements of the Subdivision Ordinance, Subdivision for Mansfield Farm LLC (GPIN #1389-72-5323; #1389-71-5307; #1398-01-0478). Property is located on the west side of Blackwater Road across from Pungo Ferry Road. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

CHANGE OF ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION:

3. An Ordinance upon Application of Matt J. Marshall, Jr., for a Change of Zoning District Classification from B-1 Neighborhood Business District to Conditional B-1A Limited Commercial District on certain property located at the southwest corner of Dam Neck Road and London Bridge Road (GPIN #2405-04-5104). The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional B-1A is for light commercial land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for retail and other compatible uses that are compatible with serving surrounding neighborhoods in accordance with Plan policies. Said parcel contains 2.290 acres. DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.

4. An Ordinance upon Application of Treestone Building Corp., for a Change of Zoning District Classification from R-20 Residential District to Conditional A-12 Apartment District on Site 82, Linkhorn Park (GPIN #2418-92-2503). The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional A-12 is for multi-family land use at a density no greater than 12 dwelling units per acre. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for suburban residential/low densities that are compatible with single family use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel is located at 3202 Holly Road and contains 1.183 acres. DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.

5. An Ordinance upon Application of Edward, Amanda & Michael Yoder and George & Mildred McGuire for a Change of Zoning District Classification from R-40 Residential District to R-7.5 Residential District on Lots 128 and 152-A, Hollies on the Atlantic Ocean (GPIN #2418-77-8789; #2418-77-9689). The proposed zoning classification change to R-7.5 is for single family residential land use on lots no less than 7,500 square feet. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for suburban residential/low density area planned for residential uses at or below 3.5 dwelling units per acre. Single family use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel is located at 412 48th Street and contains 7.773 square feet. DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT:

6. An Ordinance upon Application of Bonney Bright for a Conditional Use Permit for a borrow pit expansion on property located on the east side of Princess Anne Road beginning at a point 2,172 feet south of the intersection with Pocomoths Club Road (GPIN #2317-62-1327; #2317-72-3259; #2317-61-2523). Said parcel contains 162 acres. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

7. An Ordinance upon Application of Timothy D. MacDonald for a Conditional Use Permit for a

church on the south side of Virginia Beach Boulevard east of Davis Street (GPIN #1467-47-4613). Said parcel is located at 5465-D Virginia Beach Boulevard and contains 38,637.7 square feet. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

8. An Ordinance upon Application of Calvary Assembly of God for a Conditional Use Permit for a church expansion (family life center building) on the south side of Providence Road, 560 feet west of Luke Drive (GPIN #1466-92-7005). Said parcel is located at 4925 Providence Road and contains 4.39 acres. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

9. An Ordinance upon Application of David J. Rogers for a Conditional Use Permit for motor vehicle storage (automobiles) on the northeast corner of S. Military Highway and Alexandria Avenue (GPIN #1456-26-5063). Said parcel is located at 792 S. Military Highway and contains 29,914 square feet. DISTRICT 1 - CENTERVILLE.

10. An Ordinance upon Application of Tidewater Imports, Inc., Hall Auto World Body Shop for a Conditional Use Permit for an automobile repair facility on certain property located at the southeast corner of Buttumut Lane and unimproved Second Street (GPIN #1487-43-7783; #1487-43-7488; #1473-43-8402; #1473-43-9417; #1473-43-4435; #1473-43-5477; #1473-43-4330; #1473-43-5375; #1473-43-5380; #1473-43-5287). DISTRICT 3 - ROSE HALL.

STREET CLOSURE:

11. Application of Kenneth A. Hall & S&S Enterprises, a Virginia general partnership, for the discontinuance, closure and abandonment of the following streets:

Second Street: beginning at the western boundary of Buttumut Lane and running in an easterly direction to the western boundary of Spruce Street.

Second Street: beginning at the eastern boundary of Spruce Street and running in an easterly direction to the western boundary of Pine Street.

Spruce Street: beginning at a point 400 feet more or less south of Bonney Road and running in a southerly direction to the northern boundary of Interstate 266. Said parcels contain 1.037 acres. DISTRICT 3 - ROSE HALL.

12. Application of Ira L. & Helen M. Fisk, Trustees, for the discontinuance, closure and abandonment of Waring Street beginning on the west side of A-12 and running in a westerly direction a distance of 589 feet more or less. Said street is variable width and contains 34,333 square feet. DISTRICT 1 - CENTERVILLE.

AMENDMENT TO THE LAND USE PLAN

13. An Ordinance upon Application of Wawa, Inc., for an Amendment to The Green Run Land Use Plan to allow an automobile service station (fuel sales) in conjunction with a convenience store at the northeast corner of Lynnhaven Parkway and Windmill Point Crescent (GPIN #1485-28-0184). Said parcel contains 4.435 acres. DISTRICT 3 - ROSE HALL.

AMENDMENTS:

14. An Ordinance upon Application of the City of Virginia Beach to amend Section 301 of the City Zoning Ordinance pertaining to permitted uses in the P-1 Preservation District.

15. An Ordinance upon Application of the City of Virginia Beach to amend Section 203 of the City Zoning Ordinance by deleting the requirement that parking surfaces have an all-weather surface.

COMMISSION ON 7/12/00:

16. An Ordinance upon Application of the Catholic Diocese of Richmond for a Change of Zoning District Classification from AG-2 Agricultural District to Conditional O-2 Office District on certain property located on the west side of General Booth Boulevard beginning at a point 470 feet more or less north of London Bridge Road (GPIN #2414-19-3648). The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional O-2 is for office land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for suburban residential/low density at densities that are compatible with single family use in accordance with other land policies. Said parcel contains 6,290 acres. DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.

17. An Ordinance upon Application of the Catholic Diocese of Richmond for a Conditional Use Permit for an Independent Living Facility for Seniors on certain property located on the west side of General Booth Boulevard beginning at a point 470 feet more or less north of London Bridge Road (GPIN #2414-19-3648). Said parcel contains 6,290 acres. DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.

18. An Ordinance upon Application of Woodfin Heating, Inc., for a Conditional Use Permit for a

automobile service station (fuel sales) on certain property located at the northeast corner of Lynnhaven Parkway and Southern Boulevard (GPIN #1497-54-7354; #1497-54-6254). Said parcel contains 41,295 square feet. DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.

19. An Ordinance upon Application of Ocean Tide Associates for a Change of Zoning District Classification from B-4 Resort Commercial District to A-18 Apartment District with a PD-H2 Planned Unit Development Overlay on certain property located at the southwest corner of Shore Drive and Jade Street on Lots 1 through 8, Block 7, Plat of Lynnhaven Shores (GPIN #1489-99-3266; #1489-99-3465; #1489-99-5463). The proposed zoning classification change to A-18 with a PD-H2 Overlay is for multi-family land use at a density no greater than 18 dwelling units per acre. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for resort uses including lodging, retail, entertainment, recreational, cultural, and other uses in accordance with other Plan policies.

Said parcel contains 1.02 acres.

DISTRICT 5 - LYNNHAVEN

20. An Ordinance upon Application of James H. Salmons, Jr., for a Change of Zoning District Classification from AG-1 & AG-2 Agricultural Districts to I-2 Heavy Industrial District on the west side of Princess Anne Road, 4040 feet more or less north of Pungo Ferry Road (GPIN #2309-37-6009). The proposed zoning classification change to I-2 is for heavy industrial land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for farming, forestry, rural residential and other rural compatible uses in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel is located at 773 Princess Anne Road and contains 18.4 acres. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

21. An Ordinance upon Application of Commercial Investment Properties, L.L.C., for an amendment to The Green Run Land Use Plan to allow fuel sales in conjunction with a convenience store at the southwest intersection of Buckner Boulevard and S. Rosemont Road (GPIN #1485-65-6406). Said parcel contains 1.6 acres. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

22. An Ordinance upon Application of Armada/Hoffter Holding Company for a modification of proposed changes to the application for a change of zoning from A-12 and B-2 to Conditional B-2 on June 24, 2000. Said parcels contain 2.415, 56-7275; 2415-56-6099, 2415-55-6902, 2415-55-5734, 2415-55-4556, 2415-55-6525, 2415-55-7523, 2415-56-2541. Property is located at the northeast corner of Dam Neck Road and General Booth Boulevard. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

23. Application of Armada/Hoffter Holding Company for the discontinuance, closure and abandonment of Dam Neck Station Road beginning on the eastern boundary of General Booth Boulevard and running in an easterly direction to the eastern terminus. Said parcels-variable in width and contains 1,336 acres. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

24. An Ordinance upon Application of Clark Whitehill Company for a Change of Zoning District Classification from AG-1 and AG-2 Agricultural Districts to Conditional R-10 Residential District on certain property located on the north and south sides of Proposed Ferrell Parkway beginning at a point 200 feet more or less west of Piney Park Road (GPIN #2404-37-1633; #2404-36-1191; #2404-56-4943). The proposed zoning classification change to R-10 is for single family residential land use on lots no less than 10,000 square feet. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for suburban residential at low densities that are compatible with single family use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 183.32 acres more or less. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

All interested parties are invited to attend.

Robert I. Scott
Planning Director

Copies of the proposed ordinances, resolutions and amendments are on file and may be examined in the Department of Planning. For information call 427-4621.

If you are physically disabled or visually impaired and need assistance at this meeting, please call the CITY CLERK'S OFFICE at 427-4303; Hearing impaired, call TDD only at 427-4305. (TDD - Telephonic Device for the Deaf).

The Planning Commission Agenda is available on the City's Internet Home Page on the Thursday scheduled meeting at www.virginiabeach.va.us/cityhall/dept/Boards/bpc/agendas.htm

29-4

217-28



CLASSIFIEDS

CALL TODAY
TO PLACE YOUR AD IN
THE CLASSIFIEDS
547-4571

CLASSIFIED AD MAIL-IN FORM

PERSONAL RATES	20 Words or less	Additional words
1 time	\$ 7.75	.40
2 times	\$ 14.00	.80
4 times	\$ 23.00	1.60

Run your Classified Ad four times for only \$23.00. You can cancel your ad at any time.

All Classified Ads run in three newspapers (The Virginia Beach Sun, The Chesapeake Post and The Portsmouth Times). No additional charge.

Please print clearly using only one word per box.

Run my ad for _____ issues.

Payment is enclosed \$ _____

Make check payable to **Blyer Publications**

MAIL TO: Classified, Box 1327, Chesapeake, Va. 23327

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

FOR HELP with your Classified Ad, please call 547-4571.

COMBINATION RATE: Run the same personal ad in any other Blyer Publications newspaper for an additional \$3 one time, \$5 two times, \$7 four times. Newspapers in Franklin, Emporia, Lawrenceville, Dunwoody and Marietta. Call 547-4571 for details.

ADOPTIONS

YOUNG CHRISTIAN NORTH CAROLINA couple seeking to adopt Caucasian infant. Happy married & financially secure. Offering stability and love beyond measure to your baby. Call Terry & Nikki toll free anytime: 1-888-765-4306.

ADOPTION - EMPTY NURSERY

ADOPTIONS

ready & waiting for baby. Hearts open & full of love. We promise to cherish your baby. Call Deb & Dave, 888-272-2229.

ADOPT

Doctor Dad and Stay-Home Mom can provide love, laughter and security for your baby. Irene & Steve, 800-343-9343.

ADOPTIONS

ADOPT - A lot of love, happiness & a secure home is what this happily married couple wants to offer a Caucasian newborn. Med./Legal exp. p.d. Confidential. Please call Laura & Chef anytime. TF 1-888-877-0033.

ADOPTION - THE LOVING CHOICE - Happily married couple, early 30's, financially secure. Offering a warm loving home for your baby. Let's talk. Expenses paid. Susan / Ken 1-800-417-1110.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTERNET SECRETS
Watch TV from your computer
download up to \$100,000
in free software
1-900-226-1206
Ext. 6961/6962/6963
\$2.99 per min.
Must be 18 yrs.
Serv-U (619) 645-8434
08/18

TICKETS

ALL NASCAR 2000 - BUY/SELL ALL NFL GAMES - REDSKINS
Richmond - Jimmy Buffett
All Nissan & Wolf Trap
Stagefront Tickets.
800-528-4257
08/18

FAMILY THRIFT STORE - Military & Sr. Citizen Discount. Brand name clothes & shoes. Daily Specials. Military & Sr. Citizen Discount. 1872 East Little Creek Rd. 568-2199.
08/11

LOOKING FOR RELATIVES of Joseph Lee Henson. Contact Mary Jackson at (570) 321-9810.
08/04

SURROGATE MOTHERS WANTED! Fee and expenses to carry a couple's child. Must be 18-35 and previously had a child. **STEVEN LITZ, ATTORNEY**, (317) 996-2000.
07/28R

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PARTY MAGIC
Inside 1001 Mart
2981 So. Military Hwy. Ches.
Balloons, Invitations,
Party Supplies, Wedding/
Party Planning.
50% off.
09/08R

BASKETS OF LOVE
Host a Longaberger™ basket demonstration in your home to earn hostess dollars, booking baskets. Also wide assortment of pottery, wrought iron and fabric accessories. Call today, 547-4571 or 423-2030.
tfn

APPLIANCES

4 ACs, \$100 & up. Washer, Dryer, Refrig. & Stove. Make offer. CALL 588-7268.
08/18R

ARTICLES FOR SALE

UTILITY SHEDS - (3) Custom designed. Call for information. 567-4061.
08/04

DYNAMO 8' POOL TABLE - One piece slate. Excellent condition. \$800 nego. 318-7496.
08/04

HOTTUB - Beautiful 7' with loungers & redwood cabinet. Still in wrapper. \$165. 328-2812.
07/28

STAIRSTEPPER EXERCISE MACHINE - \$80. CARGO furniture - Desk w/whutch, chair. Sofa, end tables, chair, coffee table, TV/CD stand. Excellent cond. \$975. Call 548-2582.
07/28

4-SALE I.G. BOX FREEZER - 9 mo. old. \$200 obo. Call 491-7286 and ask for Randy. Like new!
07/28

2 SETS / GOLF CLUBS
1 set antique. \$800 obo.
Large Dog Pen - Assembled
fence w/ igloo dog house. \$200.
638-3171
07/28

AUTOS FOR SALE

'94 CADILLAC SEVILLE CONCOURS with North Star engine. Handfree phone included. 1 owner, loaded, excellent condition. New \$37,000. Sacrifice \$11,900. 465-0036.
08/04

'96 BUICK PARK AVE. - Loaded! New inspection. All fluids / filters changed. New brakes. Excellent condition. \$11,600 obo. 465-0036.
08/04

FORD EXPLORER '97 Sport, 4x4, 2 door, green, 48km. Everything but leather! \$17.5k. Must sell! 482-7374.
08/11

1995 FORD CROWN VICTORIA LX, lunar supports, fully loaded, 68K mi. 2 yr./64k mi. left on warranty. 1 owner. \$11,000 obo. 638-6354.
07/28

CHRYSLER LASER XE, turbo '86, AT, runs/looks great, new AC, new radiator, new headliner, 120k miles, 1,500 obo, 363-7781.
08/11

BOATS / RIGS

'89 SUNBIRD 170 hp, V6, OMC outdrives w/trailer. \$3,000. Call 382-9949.
07/28

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

\$1,000 WEEKLY POTENTIAL
Processing govt. refunds at home. FREE Bonus. (757) 456-1517, ext. 212. Registered BBB.
08/11

\$100 PER DAY - Realistic income and no selling involved, nothing like it anywhere. It's Hot! 1-800-811-2141. Code #157025.
08/11

CAMPING

CAMPING MEMBERSHIP - Life time camp cost to coast. \$6 per night (full hook-up). Call \$3.695. Asking \$595. 1-800-236-0327.
08/11

CLASSES / SCHOOLS

School & Instruction
EARN \$950 / WEEK AFTER TRAINING
ENJOY A CAREER AS A

CLASSES / SCHOOLS

PROFESSIONAL DRIVER WITH M.S. CARRIERS. WE OFFER TRAINING THROUGH OUR NEW:
M.S. CARRIERS PROFESSIONAL DRIVING ACADEMY - ASHLEY, PA. GUARANTEED HOMETIME GUARANTEED MINIMUM PAY WITH A TRAINER!
INTEREST FREE LOAN
800-231-5222
M.S. CARRIERS EOE
07/28R

COMPUTER EQUIPMENT

YOUR NEW COMPUTER AND PRINTER IS WAITING! Perfect credit is not required! 500 MHZ, \$99 down, \$49.99 per month, 24 mo's. Apply now!! 487-7255 (Dealer)
08/18

FINANCIAL SERVICES

INVESTORS WANTED
Earn 15% rate of return. 1st Deeds of Trust w/ low LTVs.
Mr. Davis, 715-4663, 467-4663.
08/18

FLEA MARKETS/BAZAARS

GEORGE WASHINGTON MINIMALL
PRODUCE VENDORS WANTED
for summer months.
Spaces for rent.
Fashion, Beauty Supplies,
Furniture, Silk Flowers, etc.
397-7702
07/28

FURNITURE

KING BED - DOUBLE PILLOW TOP MATTRESS, 2 boxes, frame. New, still in plastic. Cost \$1,250. Sell \$595. Candeliver. 546-2569.
08/11

CHERRY BEDROOM SET, 7 PIECE, 4 POSTER Queen bed, dresser, tri-mirror, chest, nightstand. All dovetail & metal glide drawers. New, still boxed. Orig. \$5,000 all for \$2,250. Can deliver (757) 546-3429.
08/11

QUEEN CANOPY BED, BLACK WROUGHT IRON includes new orthopedic mattress. Box and frame still in boxes. Cost \$895, Sell \$365. Delivery available. (757) 724-2569.
08/11

DINING ROOM, ALL CHERRY, Ball & claw double pedestal table, chairs, lighted china cabinet. Dovetail construction, metal glide drawers. New, still boxed. Orig. \$9,000. All for \$2,500. Can deliver. 546-3429.
08/11

GOOD THINGS TO EAT

BERGEY'S DAIRY "BEAT THE HEAT!"
Fresh Peach Sundae
Homemade Ice Cream
Floats, Shakes, Baked Goods
Farmer's Mkt., Mt. Pleasant Rd.
Battelle Blvd.
482-4711
547-7360

VA. BCH. SEAFOOD - PUB/EAT-IN OR TAKE OUT!
Crabs-bushells & dozens; live or steamed shrimp, clams, Lump & backfin crabmeat, fish. Call 428-4844.
08/11

HELP WANTED

COME GROW WITH US!
Nations leading furniture service Company providing in-home and in-store furniture assembly. Has new F/T opportunities in the Virginia Beach / Chesapeake area. Positive attitudes, good communication skills and self-starters to provide quality services to our customers. Requires reliable transportation, tools and mechanical ability. Training available. \$10 - \$20/hr.
Call 1-800-647-9704, Option #2, Ext. 5554.
www.furnitureassembly.com
07/28R

Put Your Computer To Work 7-10 Hours a Week Around Your Current Schedule
EARN \$500 - \$5000 / mo. TRAINING PROVIDED!
www.cashbymail.com

HELP WANTED

AIRCRAFT MECHANICS
Openings Near You
UP TO \$1800 / WK
STS Services
800-FLY-STS
Now Open Sat. and Sun!
07/28

HOMEWORKERS NEEDED
\$535 weekly processing mail. Easy! No experience needed. Call 1-800-652-8726, ext. 0200 24 hrs.
08/11

HELP WANTED

\$14 - \$22 / HR
Answering phones from home. Free details.
Call 877-437-5544, ext. 854
www.bigbuy.net
08/04

Firefighter City of Portsmouth NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS
Salary: \$25,113 with excellent benefits. Must be a U.S. citizen, have a high school diploma/GED 19 years of age at the time of employment, valid driver's license. Closing Date: July 31, 2000 For a Civil Service Application contact:
City of Portsmouth
Department of Human Resource Management
757-393-8626
EOE
07/28

PACKERS & PRODUCTION WORKERS, TILE MECHANICS - Plus many other positions. **SUFFOLK TEMPORARIES**
925-0205
07/28

DRIVERS \$\$\$\$\$\$
LINE HAUL
6 MONTHS EXP. - 30¢/MI
EXPERIENCED - 34¢/MI
TOP PAY - 40¢/MI
DEDICATED
HOME WEEKLY
REGIONAL
NEW PAY INCREASE 36¢
STUDENTS
NEW ASHLEY, PA
MSC PROF. DRIVING ACADEMY
LEASE PROG. NEW / USED
OWNERS OPERATORS
WANTED
800-231-5209
M.S. CARRIERS
EOE
07/28R

DRIVERS - ATS is currently hiring Class A & B Drivers. Local & Regional. Must be experienced with plus points. Call (757) 233-7433 or (757) 233-7464.
08/04R

HOMES - SALE

FOR SALE BY OWNER - Simonsdale area. Small house - 2 bdrm. with large backyard. Asking \$40,000. 484-9451.
08/18

NORFOLK - 1531 Aspin Street. As is - fenced yard, 4 bedrooms, 1 bath, attached garage. \$50,000. Call 588-1150.
07/28

HOMES - SALE

FOR SALE BY OWNER - Simonsdale area. Small house - 2 bdrm. with large backyard. Asking \$40,000. 484-9451.
08/18

NORFOLK - 1531 Aspin Street. As is - fenced yard, 4 bedrooms, 1 bath, attached garage. \$50,000. Call 588-1150.
07/28

HOMES - SALE

FOR SALE BY OWNER - Simonsdale area. Small house - 2 bdrm. with large backyard. Asking \$40,000. 484-9451.
08/18

HOMES - SALE

FOR SALE BY OWNER - Simonsdale area. Small house - 2 bdrm. with large backyard. Asking \$40,000. 484-9451.
08/18

HOMES - SALE

FOR SALE BY OWNER - Simonsdale area. Small house - 2 bdrm. with large backyard. Asking \$40,000. 484-9451.
08/18

HOMES - SALE

FOR SALE BY OWNER - Simonsdale area. Small house - 2 bdrm. with large backyard. Asking \$40,000. 484-9451.
08/18

HOMES - SALE

FOR SALE BY OWNER - Simonsdale area. Small house - 2 bdrm. with large backyard. Asking \$40,000. 484-9451.
08/18

HOMES - SALE

FOR SALE BY OWNER - Simonsdale area. Small house - 2 bdrm. with large backyard. Asking \$40,000. 484-9451.
08/18

HOMES - SALE

FOR SALE BY OWNER - Simonsdale area. Small house - 2 bdrm. with large backyard. Asking \$40,000. 484-9451.
08/18

HOMES - SALE

FOR SALE BY OWNER - Simonsdale area. Small house - 2 bdrm. with large backyard. Asking \$40,000. 484-9451.
08/18

SERVICE DIRECTORY

CHILD CARE

CHES. DEEP CREEK openings for all ages. Loving, caring environment. Dependable, licensed provider. Meals included. 487-7572.
08/11

QUALITY CHILDCARE in my home. Affordable rates based on family income. Meals provided. Flex. hours. Mon-Sat. Call 531-2284.
07/28

NORFOLK - HOME DAYCARE to open in Aug. Lots of room in and out. Call for more details. Monika, 588-0449.
08/11

CHILDCARE AVAILABLE in Norfolk. 10 min. to base. All ages. Nursing exp. Call Lisa 222-9507.
07/28

DAYCARE - VA BEACH
20 yrs. exp., lots of references, fenced yard, CPR, 1st Aid. Call 427-7090.
07/28

CERTIFIED PROVIDER has spots open for ages 2-12. USDA meals. Siding fee available. For more info please call Lakisha at 363-0503.
07/28

I will babysit in MY CHESAPEAKE HOME. All ages. Meals & snacks. M-F plus weekends. 366-0512.
08/11

STATE LICENSED DAY HOMECARE - Lots of TLC, CPR, 1st Aid, USDA meals & snacks. Ig yd. 6 a.m. - 6 p.m. Call 587-4994.
07/28

VA BCH GREAT NECK CHILDCARE
Hot meals, great fun! M-Sat., before & after school, drop-ins welcomed. \$80 wk. Sandee, 498-2897.
07/28

LOVING MOTHER OF 3 will babysit your child in my home 6 a.m. - 6 p.m. Affordable! Call Mrs. Johnson, (757) 368-3121. Thank you!
07/28

AFFORDABLE CHILDCARE with flexible hours and a certified provider. Graveyard shifts. For more info call Jocelyn Lewis at 493-8452.

CHILD CARE

GREAT BRIDGE - BRANDERMILL Fun-loving infant/care. Non-smoker, CPR / First Aid certified. Reasonable! 546-8488.
07/28

NORFOLK - Full / part-time, occasional weekends. CPR, 1st Aid, meals / snacks, playground, computer, fenced yard, 1st week discount. Nina 855-8348.
08/04

LYNNHAVEN AREA - Brookwood Schools. Days, M-F. 28 years exp. Lunch & snacks. 463-3282.
08/04

CHRISTIAN DAY CARE PROVIDER - Poplar Hall area. 7 a.m. - 6 p.m. 0-2 years old. 466-0654.
08/04

CLEANING / JANITORIAL SVC

MOVING IN OR OUT?
Allow Mom's Cleaning Services to take care of cleaning details the old-fashioned way!
Reasonable rates.
858-9689
08/04R

CONCRETE / BRICK / BLOCK

TJ MASONRY - Specializing in block work, foundations, repair and custom mailboxes. 480-4135 / 361-0829 pager.
08/04

HANDYMAN SERVICES

GOOD AND FAST HANDYMAN
Painting, lawn/mowing, yardwork
Small repairs.
Low rates.
All types of work done.
686-4811
09/08R

HEATING / COOLING SVC.

BRISTOL MECHANICAL INC.
A/C, Heating & Refrigeration.
Free Estimates.
460-6723

HOME IMPROVEMENTS

Tired of the common brick look of your home? Then FRYE'S CRE-

HOME IMPROVEMENTS

ACTIVE STUCCO is for you! Non-plastic - Real Cement! 480-9076.
07/28

AT YOUR SERVICE!
Roof repaired - Shingle, Hot tar, Rubber, Slate, Aluminum, Tile, Tile.
548-0353, 498-2696.
08/01

#1 FREE ESTIMATES - 16 years experience. Tile, vinyl, plumbing, windows, siding, roof, kitchens, carpet, all repairs. 488-8008.
08/04

INVESTIGATION SERVICES

NATIONAL INVESTIGATIONS SERVICES, INC.
Divorce, child custody, domestic, background checks, corporate investigations.
(Lic. #11-2975)
671-6390
07/28R

POOL REPAIR

LINER REPLACEMENTS, REPAIRS, LEAK DETECTION, PUMP & FILTER REPLACEMENT, MAINTENANCE.
518-0744.
08/11

TREE SERVICES

HUTCH'S STUMP REMOVAL
Licensed and Insured. Free Estimates. Call 286-5443.
10/06

1AAA ARMSTRONG TREE SERVICE
No job too small, no tree too tall. Free mulch. 558-6256, 558-2623.

Run a classified ad!

Fax the clip-out coupon at the top of the page to 548-0390.

Discover the hidden power of your dreams

We spend approximately one-third of our lives asleep, and each night as we sleep, we dream — sometimes up to three hours a night. Do these dreams really mean anything? Or are they simply ramblings of the subconscious mind?

You can discover a world of untapped information about your dreams and how they impact your life in a special one-day seminar from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 5 hosted by international dream expert Kevin Todeschi, author of the "Encyclopedia of Symbolism," the most complete dream reference book available. The seminar is sponsored by the Association for Research and Enlightenment, located at 67th Street and Atlantic Avenue in Virginia Beach.

"Symbolic images offer a nearly boundless approach to problem-solving, creativity and even personal awareness," Todeschi believes. "Whether you've worked with dreams and symbolism all your life or never even remembered a dream before, this program is guaranteed to get you in touch with personal insights from your own dreams and provide you with a fascinating

glimpse into the world of intuition and symbols," he promises.

Using guided imagery and group discussion, Todeschi will teach you how to discover answers to any question from your own subconscious mind. Participants will:

- Take part in a "waking dream" and discover what your subconscious can tell you about yourself.

- Discover how to interpret intuitive images and dreams.

- Experience firsthand how imagination and symbolism work together to enable you to give a "psychic reading" on a question to another person using creative imagery and symbolism.

A frequent and popular media guest, Todeschi has appeared on dozens of news, radio and cable programs, including Fox 43, WWDE during The Breakfast Bunch and Eagle 97's Jimmy Ray and Jay show, in addition to nationally-syndicated radio including "The Art Bell Show" and "The New Millennium."

Call 1-800-333-4499 to register. Cost is \$59 for ARE members, \$69 for non-members.

Beach girl is state finalist for Miss Virginia Sweetheart

Megan Danielle Trump of Virginia Beach, 7, daughter of Tracie Stoddard and Sidney Trump has been chosen as a state finalist in the Miss Virginia American Sweetheart Pageant to be held Sept. 1-2 at the Marriott Richmond. The pageant is held for girls aged 7 through 9 years.

The winner of the pageant will receive a \$1,000 cash award, the official crown and sash, bouquet of roses and transportation to compete in the national pageant at Walt Disney World in Florida. Other

pageants are held for the state to include girls of other ages.

Thousands of dollars in cash awards, scholarships, trophies and prizes will be awarded during the state pageant weekend. According to pageant officials, since 1983 the Miss American Cood Pageant System has awarded more than \$11 million in scholarships and awards to deserving ladies. All activities are age-appropriate and family-oriented.

The pageants are for "tomorrow's leaders." They are open to girls with goals and dreams based on inner beauty, as well as poise, presentation and an All-American spirit for family, fun and friends. Emphasis is placed on the importance of gaining self confidence, learning new skills, learning good attitudes about competition and setting and achieving personal goals.

Trump's activities include the A-honor roll and Membership in United Methodist Church.

She also enjoys reading, listening to music, dancing, roller skating, movies and swimming.

Trump's sponsors include Tracie Stoddard, Wendell Graham, Justin Thomas, Joseph and Patrick Newman, Sidney and Tammy Trump, Bernard and Geneva Trump and Carl and Iralene Crum.



Megan Danielle Trump

Cuddly critters will find good homes through Troop

When members of Virginia Beach Girl Scout Troop 218 visited their first nursing home accompanied by volunteers from the Citizens' Committee to Protect the Elderly, they were bit shy — but not for long.

They kept coming back. They sang. They danced. They baked. They hugged. They brought smiles. They made friends.

They learned that people with dementia, particularly those with Alzheimer's disease, were comforted by holding a soft cuddly stuffed animal, doll or toy.

Also "adopting" Sunrise Rehabilitation Center and visiting the residents regularly, Troop volunteer Cyndy Sanders said the girls decided to invite the community to participate in a collection drive.

Stuffed animals, toys and dolls will be collected Saturday, July 29 from noon to 3 p.m. at the Little Neck Swim and Racquet Club, 864 Little Neck Rd., Virginia Beach.

Citizens' Committee volunteers, including the Scouts, will dis-

tribute the toys in area long-term care facilities.

New and gently used (laundered) furry animals, stuffed toys and dolls are all welcome. If you are cleaning out your closets or you have teenage daughters or granddaughters who are ready to part with even one stuffed animal, the Junior Girl Scouts of Troop 218 and the Citizens' Committee will provide good homes.

The Citizens' Committee (CCPE) is a private non-profit organization whose volunteers offer weekly visits with nursing home residents to reduce the stress and loneliness experienced by many elderly people living in nursing home settings. CCPE also coordinates inter-generational events in nursing homes and assisted living facilities to stimulate and enhance the lives of residents, and offers guidance for those considering placing a loved one in long-term care.

For more information or to volunteer call, 498-8600.

'Red-y Set Go' to the CAC!

The Contemporary Art Center of Virginia presents "Red-y Set Go" on Thursday, Aug. 3 from 5:30 to 8 p.m. The evening has been designed to provide entertainment and fun activities for families.

The galleries will be open during the evening for visitors to enjoy the humorous exhibition "Red Grooms: In Pursuit of Serious Fun." Musical entertainment will be provided in the atrium and Norris Spencer will tell stories while sitting in Red Grooms' interactive life-size sculpture "The Bus." Art activities for kids have been designed to complement the exhibition. Refreshments will also be available.

Grooms is equally at home working on canvas and paper, and this exhibition, the largest museum show of his work since 1985, includes over 60 paintings, prints and drawings in addition to large-scale sculptures and his famous sculptopictograms. The center's exhibition focuses on his recent travels, aspects of urban life, his continuing fascination with art and art history and contemporary American culture.

It features what is perhaps his best known recent work, "The Bus," a 22-foot long walk-through environment, recreating in canvas, plastic and wood a New York City bus and its colorful riders.



Agent joins Allstate Life Hall of Fame

Virginia Beach resident David Lawson was among an elite group of insurance agents recently inducted into the Allstate Life Hall of Fame. The honor, bestowed on just nine of Allstate's 13,000 agents in the United States this year, recognizes the company's top life insurance professionals. To qualify, agents must have achieved superior sales performance for 20 years. Lawson, who joined Allstate in 1977, was the first agent to win the company's esteemed Athena and Million Dollar Round Table awards. In addition, throughout his career he has won numerous other awards for superior sales and customer service performance. Pictured, from left, are: Len Sherman, vice president, Allstate Financial Services; Rick Cohen, president, Allstate Property and Casualty; Adell and David Lawson; Thomas J. Wilson, president, Allstate Life Insurance Co.; and Jeff Kaufman, vice president, sales and agency operations.

Island fest is 'peachy keen'

Continued From Page 1

6,000, it takes a lot of manpower," chuckled.

Although there are only 23 or 24 members of this year's Ruritan Club, they're a busy group. All the money they make through the peach festival and other fundraisers goes back to the Community of Knotts Island, "one way or another," Smith said, however, the club sent checks to the Salvation Army and the Red Cross when the organizations helped Knotts Islanders get back on their feet after last fall's hurricanes.

After building their new clubhouse, the Ruritan Club only has \$3,000 to put on the festival with, but that won't stop them from baking and selling a peach-lover's dream snacks.

The peaches come from The Peach Basket, a farm owned by Don and Sue Austin and located on Knotts Island off Route 615. The Peach Basket features over two acres of peach trees, all of which Sue Austin picks.

"We wanted something that would keep us busy," Don Austin explained. Knotts Island's sandy

soil and mild climate makes it prime peach country, Austin said. This year, wet weather and ample rainfall have made for a prosperous peach season, despite the erratic spring.

"We have a good crop this year, especially considering the spring weather" he said. "It got hot early, then it turned cool again, then it got hot again, and some of my peaches bloomed twice. That kind of weather confuses plants."

The Ruritan Club has been hard at work making "all kinds of different sweets," Smith said.

The festival will sell every kind of peach snack imaginable, including pies, ice cream, fried pies (turnovers), pound cakes, pudding, and bread. For those who aren't peachy keen on peaches, the festival will also sell Carolina barbecue.

While most of the snacks are made by members of the Ruritan Club, they did have to get some help with the fried pies from the SugarPlum Bakery, located on Laskin Road.

The club couldn't make enough fried pies to satisfy thousands of hungry peach gobblers, although Janie Cason tries.

Cason, in addition to helping with the pies, also bakes peach pound cakes and makes some crafts, including needlework and "anything and everything," she said.

There will be plenty of pound cakes available, but don't try to buy the recipe. The members guard the secret recipe for that moist cake as closely as they guard the identity of the peach queen.

Cassie Hutchinson described her peach pound cake as "just a regular pound cake, and put peaches in it," but declined to disclose any more details.

Hazel Smith proudly states that her peach pound cake recipe is "my favorite," however, when she was late getting started on her baking, she did enlist the help of some trusted friends.

So how many peaches does it take to bake all of these cakes? "Oh, good gracious, I have no idea," Cason said.

Directions: Follow Princess Anne Road south to the state line, where it becomes Rt. 615. Then follow the festival signs.

Artists showcase wares at 25th annual Art and Craft Festival

forms classic rags and traditional jazz along with crazy versions of authentic jug band music.

Audiences of all ages will delight in the sounds of the musical saw, washboard, jugs, washbass and tuned six-pack with are accompanied by the more conventional guitar, banjo, clarinet, saxophone and vocals. Since 1985, the Jugband has been touring Europe as well as the many county fairs and craft shows throughout U.S. and Canada.

- 11 a.m., Calypso Nuts.

- Noon, Sadie Green Sales Jug Band.

- 1 p.m., AIA (Jimmy Buffet-style party band).

- 3 p.m., Calypso Nuts.

- 4 p.m., Sadie Green Sales Jug Band.

Saturday, Aug. 5 (Children's Stage)

- 10 a.m., Kids Quest Talent Show from children participating in the Virginia Beach Parks and Recreation summer camp programs.

- 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Zappie the Clown with balloon creations.

- Noon, "Shannara" Magical Wizard.

- 1 p.m., Princess Elizabeth and Puppet Friends.

- 3 p.m., Fantastic Hunt Family Fiddlers.

Sunday, Aug. 6 (Main Stage)

- 10 a.m., Sadie Green Sales Jug Band.

- Noon, AIA (Jimmy Buffet-style party band).

- 2 p.m., The Doorway Singers.

- 3 p.m., Sadie Green Sales Jug Band.

Sunday, Aug. 6 (Children's Stage)

- Noon, Tim Nolan, juggler.

- 12 - 3 p.m., Zappie the Clown with balloon creations.

- 1 p.m., Merman's Magical Mania.

- 2 p.m., C-Shells.

- 3 p.m., Fantastic Hunt Family Fiddlers.

Also on site will be Russel Donnellon, classical guitarist performing works with classical, jazz, flamenco, Brazilian, Gypsy, pop, Celtic, R&B, Caribbean and Asian music. He will be performing both Saturday and Sunday among the artists on the festival grounds.

A smorgasbord awaits including hot dogs, hamburgers, BBQ sandwiches, sausage, chicken pitas, turkey legs and more. Sodas, lemonade, Italian ice and even funnel cake will be available too. No alcohol will be served at this event. Awards will be given including One Best in Show (\$400), one Art Award (\$300), one Craft Award (\$300), one Originality Award (\$100) and eight Festival Awards (\$50 each).

In conjunction with the festival, bed sheets and paint make a unique summer project. Young artists ages 3 to 12 created mural-sized masterpieces using one flat bed sheet (twin size: 66 in. x 96 in.) of any color and utilized paints, markers, pencils to create a work of art focusing on this year's theme, "Get Carried Away With Books." Clothesline artwork will be displayed at the festival. Selected entries will be displayed in the Virginia Beach Public Libraries all over the city after the festival.

Sponsors for the Princess Anne Park Art and Craft Festival include Alltel, Coke, E-billboards by NGN, The Pilot and WCMs.

For more information call 563-1100.

ARE CALENDAR

The Association for Research and Enlightenment announces its schedule of free lectures for the week of July 30 - Aug. 5:

- Sunday, July 30 - "Meditation" by Edwin Mapes.

- Monday, July 31 - "Health, Healing and Diet" by David Lind, ley.

- Tuesday, Aug. 1 - "The Soul" by Shirley Winston.

- Wednesday, Aug. 2 - "Relationship" by Kevin Todeschi.

- Thursday, Aug. 3 - "Egypt" by Grace Yusek.

- Friday, Aug. 4 - "Ancient Civilizations: Atlantis" by Jim Dixon.

- Saturday, Aug. 5 - "Meditation" by Edwin Mapes.

All lectures are held at 3:30 p.m. at the ARE Visitor Center, 6700 Atlantic Avenue. Call 428-3588, ext. 7265 for more information.

HEALTH TIPS

- Sentara Virginia Beach General Hospital will hold a Breast Cancer Support Group meeting on Monday, Aug. 14 at 7 p.m. in the Health Education Center, located across from the hospital's Emergency Department.

This free service for breast cancer patients offers both educational and emotional support. The support group meets on the second Monday of every month. For more information call, 395-8686.

- The Diabetes Center at Sentara Virginia Beach General Hospital will hold a support group meeting on Tuesday, Aug. 15 from 3 to 4 p.m. in the Health Education Center, located across from the hospital's Emergency Department.

This free service for people with diabetes and their families offers both educational and emotional support. For more information call, 395-8836.

- Sentara Virginia Beach General Hospital, in cooperation with the American Cancer Society, will hold a prostate cancer support group meeting, Man to Man, on Thursday, Aug. 17 at 6:30 p.m. in the Health Education Center, located across from the hospital's Emergency Department. Man to Man meets the third Thursday of each month. Men diagnosed with prostate cancer and their family members are invited to attend. Call 395-8686 for more information.

- Sentara Virginia Beach General Hospital will hold a Cancer Support Group meeting on Monday, Aug. 21 at 6:30 p.m. in the Health Education Center, located across from the hospital's Emergency Department. This free service for cancer patients and their families offers both educational and emotional support. The support group meets on the third Monday of every month. For more information call, 395-8686.

Vietnam Wall Experience to visit Va. Beach

The Vietnam Wall Experience, a 240-foot replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C., will be displayed from Friday, Aug. 18 through Sunday, Aug. 20 at Rosewood Memorial Park, 631 North Wickhach Rd.

Rosewood Memorial Park invites all Vietnam Veterans, their families and the community to visit the wall to pay their respects to those 58,219 service personnel who lost their lives during the Vietnam War. The "Wall" will be open for visitation 24 hours a day beginning Friday evening until the conclusion of the closing ceremony on Sunday, Aug. 20 which will begin at 3 p.m.

Volunteers will be available to assist the public in locating a name on the wall and name rubbings will be able to be made from the wall on site.

Rosewood Memorial Park is seeking families with names on the "Wall" to be recognized and honored during the weekend ceremonies. The Vietnam Wall Experience is a tribute to these families whose family member gave the ultimate sacrifice for their country. We would very much like them to be a part of this experience. Contact one of the above gentlemen for more information.

The military and local veterans groups will be assisting with the planning and coordination of events for this project.